

THOMAS' HUNTING DIARY

1905-1906.



EDITED BY WALTER M. MAY AND ARTHUR W. COATEN.

ILLUSTRATED BY MISS DOROTHY HARDY.

Price 2/6 Net.

PUBLISHED AT "THE COUNTY GENTLEMAN AND LAND AND WATER" OFFICE,
4 AND 5 DEAN STREET, HIGH HOLBORN, LONDON, W.C.

Telegraphic Address: "BROUBOUND, LONDON."

Telephone: 784 MAYFAIR.

By Royal Warrant of Appointment



By Royal Warrant of Appointment
TO H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES, K.G.



Hunting Hats

HERBERT JOHNSON,

38 NEW BOND STREET, LONDON, W.



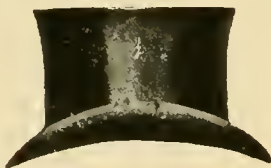
B



H.R.H. The
H.I.H. The
H.R.H. The
H.R.H. Prin



es of Denmark.
s Frederick Leopold of Prussia.
blas of Greece.
ke of Clarence and Avondale, K.G.,
etc., etc.



VEL
I
TWF

S OF
S.



SIGNS.



Careful attention given to the
Hunting and Riding Hats.

Marked success obtained in the fitting of
Ladies' Riding Hats.

Measures of head taken by a new method
which has proved highly successful
in the most difficult cases.



Telegrams: "HEDGES, LONDON."

By Appointment to



Telephone: 1825 GERRARD.

HIS MAJESTY THE KING, and H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES.

BENSON & HEDGES, LTD.

Importers of Havana Cigars

IN ALL THE LEADING BRANDS. (A LARGE VARIETY SUITABLE FOR HUNTING PURPOSES).

Manufacturers & Importers of Oriental Cigarettes

Special Brands:

CAIRO
(Citadel Trade Mark)
EL KAHLA

EL HOUSSOUN
MAGNOLIA



NEW YORK

17 WEST 31ST STREET
509 FIFTH AVENUE
74 BROADWAY

LONDON

13 OLD BOND STREET
W.

MONTREAL

183 ST. JAMES STREET

1905.



NOVEMBER.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
...	...	...	1	2	3	4
309	310	311	312	313	314	315
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
316	317	318	319	320	321	322
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
323	324	325	326	327	328	329
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
330	331	332	333	334	...	...
26	27	28	29	30	...	...
...

DECEMBER.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
...	...	...	...	...	1	2
335	336	...	...	...	...	...
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
337	338	339	340	341	342	343
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
344	345	346	347	348	349	350
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
351	352	353	354	355	356	357
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
358	359	360	361	362	363	364
31	...	...	...	...	...	...



1906.

JANUARY.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
...	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	...	...	...

FEBRUARY.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
...	...	...	...	1	2	3
35	36	37	38	39	40	41
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	...	...	...

MARCH.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
...	...	...	...	1	2	3
63	64	65	66	67	68	69
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

APRIL.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
91	92	93	94	95	96	97
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	...	...	...	...	...

MAY.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
...	...	121	122	123	124	125
126	127	128	129	130	131	132
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
133	134	135	136	137	138	139
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
140	141	142	143	144	145	146
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
147	148	149	150	151	...	...
27	28	29	30	31	...	...

JUNE.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
...	...	...	...	...	152	153
154	155	156	157	158	159	160
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

JULY.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
182	183	184	185	186	187	188
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	...	...	...	...

AUGUST.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
...	...	...	213	214	215	216
...	...	...	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	...

SEPTEMBER.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
...	...	...	...	...	...	1
245	246	247	248	249	250	251
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	...	...	...	...	...	...

OCTOBER.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
...
274	275	276	277	278	279	...
1	2	3	4	5	6	...
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	...	...	...

NOVEMBER.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
...
305	306	307	308	309	310	311
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	...	...	...	...	...

DECEMBER.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
...
335	336	337	338	339	340	341
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	...	...	...	...

THOMAS HUNTING DIARY

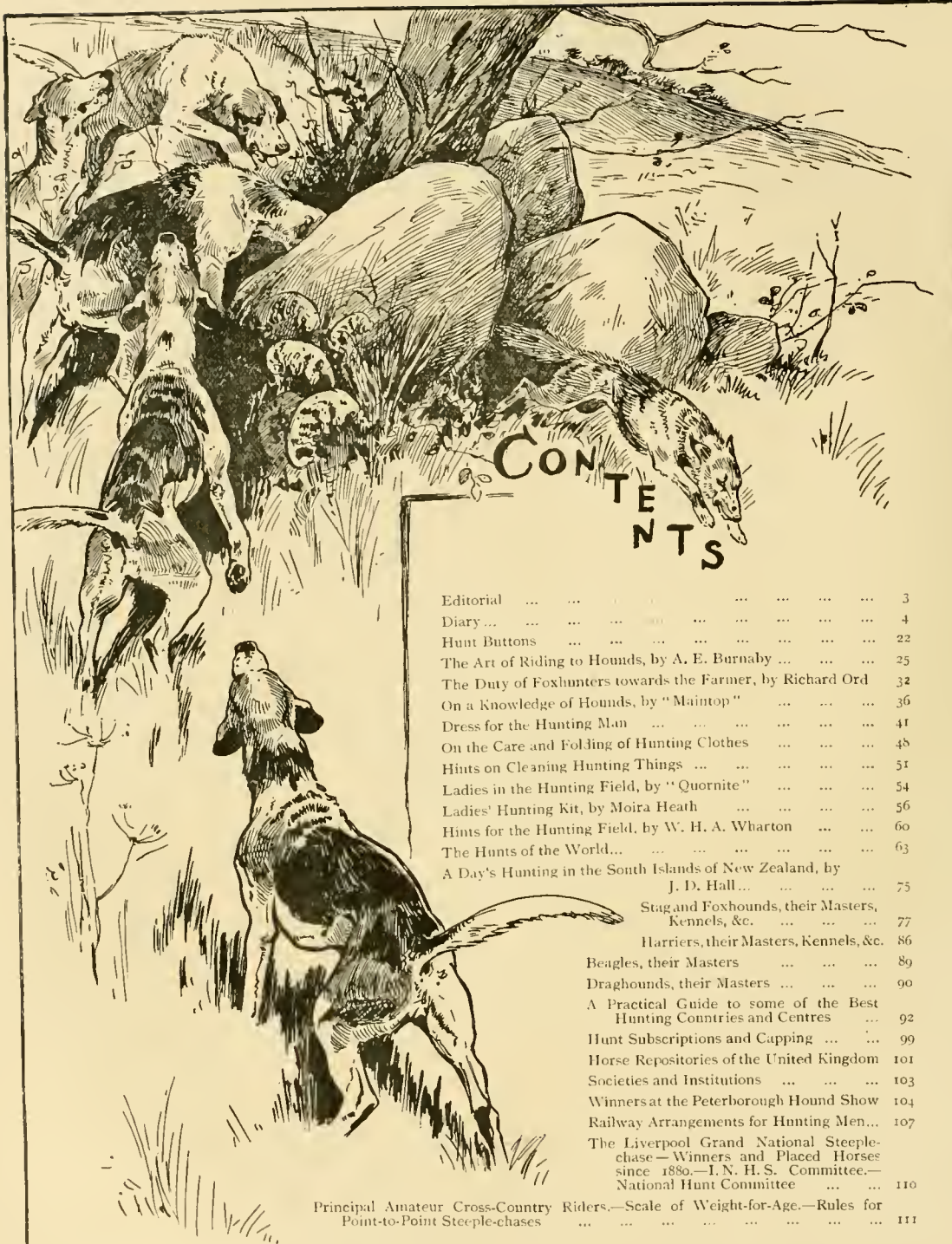
1905-1906.

EDITED BY WALTER M. MAY AND ARTHUR W. COATEN.

ILLUSTRATED BY MISS DOROTHY HARDY.



PUBLISHED AT "THE COUNTY GENTLEMAN AND LAND AND WATER" OFFICE,
4 AND 5 DEAN STREET, HIGH HOLBORN, LONDON, W.C.



Editorial	3
Diary	4
Hunt Buttons	22
The Art of Riding to Hounds, by A. E. Burnaby	25
The Duty of Foxhunters towards the Farmer, by Richard Ord	32
On a Knowledge of Hounds, by "Maintop"	36
Dress for the Hunting Man	41
On the Care and Folding of Hunting Clothes	45
Hints on Cleaning Hunting Things	51
Ladies in the Hunting Field, by "Quornite"	54
Ladies' Hunting Kit, by Moira Heath	56
Hints for the Hunting Field, by W. H. A. Wharton	60
The Hunts of the World...	63
A Day's Hunting in the South Islands of New Zealand, by J. D. Hall	75
Stag and Foxhounds, their Masters, Kennels, &c.	77
Harriers, their Masters, Kennels, &c.	86
Beagles, their Masters	89
Draghounds, their Masters	90
A Practical Guide to some of the Best Hunting Countries and Centres	92
Hunt Subscriptions and Capping	99
Horse Repositories of the United Kingdom	101
Societies and Institutions	103
Winners at the Peterborough Hound Show	104
Railway Arrangements for Hunting Men...	107
The Liverpool Grand National Steeplechase—Winners and Placed Horses since 1880.—I. N. H. S. Committee.—National Hunt Committee	110
Principal Amateur Cross-Country Point-to-Point Steeplechases	111

M. Dorothy Hardy.

Principal Illustrations.

"With a quick shortened stride"	31
"But hark! That's a whimper"	49
"Youth will be served"	59
"Ah! how shall I in song declare?"	91

Coloured Plates.

"Onward we struggle"	facing 24
"Bridle roads bringing them"	facing 40
"Fashion in everything"	facing 56
"Thicker and faster"	facing 76



Editorial.

THE flattering welcome which hunting people accorded to last year's Edition has encouraged the proprietors, Messrs. THOMAS AND SONS, of 32 Brook Street, W., to issue this Diary in its present enlarged and more complete form. Its scope has been widened, and several new features have been added which we feel certain will be of interest to our readers, and perhaps of practical advantage to many of them.

In adhering to our object of making THOMAS'S HUNTING DIARY a sort of "Whitaker" of the hunting field, we have endeavoured to increase its value as a source of information and means of reference by presenting details of hunting establishments and sport beyond the seas. In our "Hunts of the World" we have broken fresh ground, and we have brought together facts and figures which have never been so collected before. We hope that this new feature will be appreciated, not only by hunting men at home, but by lovers of the sport in our Colonies and in other places abroad where the English language is spoken.

Again we have been fortunate in securing the assistance of a number of writers of experience and authority, whose ideas regarding the promotion and maintenance of the best of British sports should be helpful to the rising generation of hunting men and women. Of late a good deal has been heard about the decadence of fox-hunting. Yet a careful and general study and practice of the precepts laid down in these pages might go far to remove the causes of the prevalent fears as to the lasting welfare of our leading winter sport.



“ The hunt is up, the morn is bright and grey.”

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
1 Wednes.				
2 Thursday				
3 Friday				
4 Saturday				
6 Monday				
7 Tuesday				

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
8 <i>Wednes.</i>				
9 Thursday				
10 Friday				
11 Saturday				
12				
13 Monday				
14 Tuesday				
15 Wednesday				
16 Thursday				
17 Friday				
18 Saturday				

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
20	Monday			
20	Tuesday			
	North War-			
	wickshire	11.	X	Copperking.
21	Wednes.			
	Bill Martin			
	Cold Asby	10.45	X	Eric.
	Pytchley			
22	Thursday		not out.	
23	Friday			
	Atterstone	11	Good run from 12 air lads	Copperking.
	Bromsboro		Below Cottingham to Walton Holt	
24	Saturday		Mr. Fanning's Country 9 to 10	
	Pytchley		miles. Fell down in morning.	Eric.
	Walton	10.45		Card-sharp
25	Monday			
			not out.	
26	Tuesday			
			not out.	
27	Wednes.			
	Pytchley			
	Crick	10.45	X	Card-sharp.
28	Thursday			
			not out	



DECEMBER

" 'Tis hard from the saddle so soon to be parted—
So soon to be counting the days we have lost."

		Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
30	Friday	Atterstone Kings/Kirby //		X	Copper King
1	Saturday	Pytchley Clipstone 10.45		X	Card-sharper
3	Monday	Mrs. Farnis Waltham by Kilmote //		Not out X	Eric.
5	Tuesday	Atterstone Dadlington //		X	Copper King
6	Wednes.	Pytchley Waltham/Kilmote 10.45			Card-sharper
6	Thursday			Not out	

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
7	Friday	11	Atterstone Three Pats	Erie
8	Saturday		not out.	
10	Monday		Frost	
12	Tuesday		Frost.	
13	Wednes.		Pytchley Cold Ashby	
13	Thursday		Frost.	
13	Friday		Frost	
15	Saturday		Frost	
17	Monday		not out	
19	Tuesday		Donchursh North Warwickshire	Copperting

		Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
19	Wednes.	Pytchley Walcott	1045	X from 6.30	Mr. Conrags's to try. Eric.
20	Thursday			Not on	
21	Friday	Althorpe Brinkley Villiage	11 (12)	—	Coppyking
22	Saturday	Pytchley Watford	1045	Nice day	Eric.
23	Monday			Frost.	
24	Tuesday			Christmas. No printing.	
25	Wednes.			from	
26	Thursday			from	
27	Friday			Li	
28	Saturday			Li	



JANUARY

"Nor huntsman's horn, nor music of the hounds
Is borne upon the wintry breeze."

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
31	Monday		Frost	
1	Tuesday		Frost	
28	Wednes.		Did not hunt	
3	Thursday		Motor broke down near saw	Copper-king
	Shankton	"	limit sent Card-sharper home	Card-sharper
4	Friday		Frost waited until one	Eric.
	Cotton House	"	o'clock & then hounds sent home.	Guy mare
5	Saturday		Bad day - bad country	Eric.
	Pytchley	10.45		Card-sharper
	New ham			
18	Monday		Good day	Copper-king.
	Mr. Furness	"		
	Lubenham			

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
8 Tuesday	North Warwickshire Princes Risborough	11.	Fair	Eric.
9 10 Wednes.			was hunting	
10 11 Thursday			"	
11 Friday			"	(Copper King Bronze Card sharp)
12 Saturday			"	
14 Monday	Mr. Fernie		Good day.	Eric.
15 Tuesday	Kilsby North Warwickshire Clifton	11.	Bad day.	Copper-King.
16 Wednes.	Pitchley Culstrey - Faversham	10.45	Fine day	Grey mare. Card sharp.
17 Thursday			Not hunting.	
18 Friday			"	

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
20	Saturday		Log.	
22	Monday		not hunting	
23	Tuesday		North Warrickshire Princes-Loye 11.15 Bad day Brighton -	Iris.
24	Wednes.		In st.	
25	Thursday			
26	Friday			
27	Saturday			
29	Monday			
30	Tuesday			
31	Wednes.			



"Faith in himself, and the good steed that carries him."

		Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
1	Thursday				
2	Friday				
3	Saturday				
5	Monday				
6	Tuesday				
7	Wednes.				

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
8 Thursday				
9 Friday				
10 Saturday				
12 Monday				
13 Tuesday				
14 Wednes.				
15 Thursday				
16 Friday				
17 Saturday	17.4.1917 P. 2.15	11	4 day	Copper-ling Card-sharp

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
18	Monday		hol-out	
19	Tuesday	N. Warrickshire Drumchurch	good day -	Eric -
20	Wednes.	Rytechley Welford		Capeperking.
22	Thursday	Mr. Fernie's Lloddum-nell. - the Hill	Fair day	Cardsharper
23	Friday			
24	Saturday			
25	Monday			
26	Tuesday			
27	Wednes.	Rytechley Welford	Fair day Cardsharper	Cardsharper



"Get to him, my lads!
And teach him the use of his pads."

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
21 Thursday	Wm. J. ... glendon		P.	14
2 Friday	Alton stone Witternall		road day	Georgina "Cuppers" 13
3 Saturday	Pitchley Stamington		good day	Starkman Cart 10
5 Monday				
6 Tuesday				
7 Wednes.				
8 Thursday				

		Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
9	Friday				
10	Saturday				
12	Monday				
13	Tuesday				
14	Wednes.				
15	Thursday				
16	Friday				
17	Saturday				
19	Monday				
20	Tuesday				

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
21	Wednes.			
22	Thursday			
23	Friday			
24	Saturday			
26	Monday			
27	Tuesday			
28	Wednes.			
29	Thursday			
30	Friday			
31	Saturday			



"A chosen few alone the sport enjoy."

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
2	Monday			
3	Tuesday			
4	Wednes.			
5	Thursday			
6	Friday			
7	Saturday			

	Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
9	Monday			
10	Tuesday			
11	Wednes.			
12	Thursday			
13	Friday			
14	Saturday			
16	Monday			
17	Tuesday			
18	Wednes.			
19	Thursday			

		Meet.	Time.	Notes of the day's sport.	Horses ridden.
20	Friday				
21	Saturday				
23	Monday				
24	Tuesday				
25	Wednes.				
26	Thursday				
27	Friday				
28	Saturday				
30	Monday				



Albrighton.
(Evening dress: red,
white facings.)



Amory's, Sir J.,
Staghounds (Silver).



Atherstone.
(White collar. Evening
dress: red, grey facings.)



Badsworth.
(Evening dress: red,
red facings; white
silk facings for old
members.)

Hunt Buttons.

THIS feature of THOMAS' HUNTING DIARY having become so well-known and popular, we again reproduce facsimiles of the Buttons of the principal Hunts in the United Kingdom. This year the list we place before our readers is more complete than any previously published. Silver buttons are so marked. The list of buttons will prove useful for reference, containing as it does additional information regarding the hunt uniform in those cases where it is distinctive. Particulars of the evening dress are also given where it has been possible to supply them. In some cases, no doubt, plain buttons are in use, but there are a few Hunts with the design of whose buttons Messrs. Thomas & Sons are not familiar. In these cases the Editors would be glad of information in view of future issues of the Diary.



Beaufort's, Duke of.
(Blue coat, blue collar,
buff facings. Same dis-
tinctive features for
evening dress.)



Bedale.
(Hunting coat for ser-
vants only, black velvet
collar. Evening dress:
red, black velvet collar,
white facings, white
waistcoat.)



Belvoir.
(Crimson velvet collar
for servants.)



Berkeley
(Lord Fitzhardinge's).
(Yellow coat for hunt
servants. Evening
dress: blue coat, cerise
facings.)



Berkeley, Old, East.
(Collar for Hunt ser-
vants only, yellow cloth.
Evening dress: scarlet,
yellow facings.)

Don'thamdne 99.

The "Thomas" Legging



This is, without doubt,

THE NEATEST, SMARTEST AND
MOST COMFORTABLE LEGGING
YET INTRODUCED ♦ ♦ ♦

To put on, it is only necessary to unlace the top one or two holes when the Legging can be easily pulled over the foot, and the boot put on afterwards. It is therefore also the quickest adjusted Legging.



The Finish and Shape of the Legging
is quite the best obtainable ♦



Made in the Finest Pigskin, or Russia Calf, either Black or Brown,

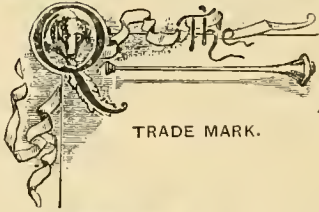
Price, 30/- per pair.

THOMAS & SONS, —

32 BROOK STREET, LONDON, W.

TURNBULL, ASSER & CO.

Sporting



Hosiers

TRADE MARK.

For . . .

**HUNTING
SHOOTING
FISHING
GOLFING**



"QUORN" SCARF, open ends,
5s. 6d.

*All kinds of Scarves made
up from customers'
patterns.*

Price Lists and
Patterns on
application.



"QUORN" SCARF,
closed ends,
4s. 6d.

Send Postal Order
with Size of Collar
for Sample.



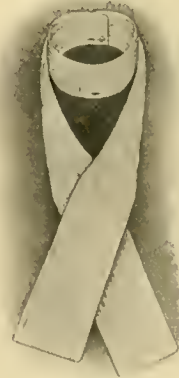
"QUORN"
Sax Hunting Gloves
Ladies' & Gent's.
Impervious to wet.
5/6 per pair.



THE "GRAFTON" SCARF
Price 4s. 6d.



Send
Postal Order
with Size of Collar
for Sample.



Showing Adjustment.

Ready to Tie.

HUNTING SCARF SPECIALISTS



71-72 JERMYN STREET, S.W.

(Five Doors from St. JAMES'S STREET).

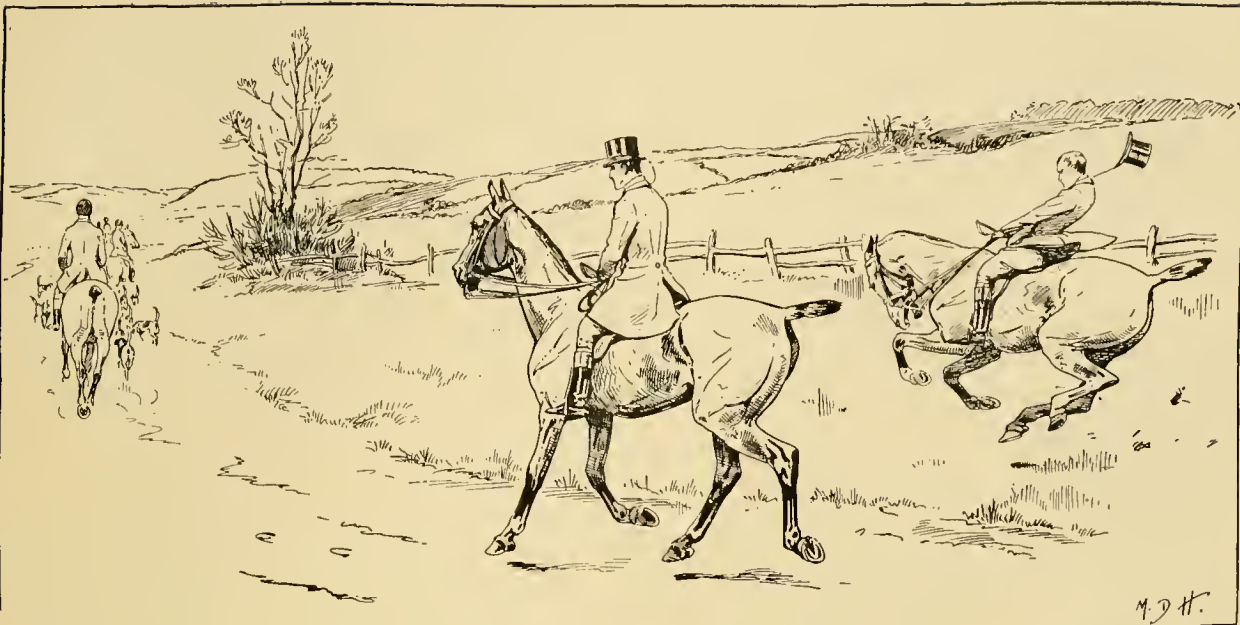
Telegrams: "PADDYWHACK, LONDON."

Telephone: 4628 Gerrard.



M. Dorothy Hardy

"Onward we struggle in sorrow and labour
Lurching and lolling, and 'bellows to mend';
Each while he smiles at the plight of his neighbour,
Only is anxious to get to the end."



"A BAD TEMPERED MAN WILL NEVER MAKE A GOOD MAN TO HOUNDS."

The Art of Riding to Hounds.

Essential Qualifications and How to Acquire Them.

(By A. E. BURNABY.)

IT is naturally with some amount of diffidence that one takes up the pen to write upon a subject which occupies a good deal of the time and attention of the sportsmen and sportswomen of this country, and over which all who hunt at all regularly must themselves have expended a certain amount of thought. Nor is the subject one upon which one would hasten to lay down any hard and fast rules. Yet riding to hounds successfully demands some qualifications and characteristics in the man or woman who would excel in it, no matter what the country hunted in ; and a discussion of those qualifications and characteristics is the excuse, or rather, the object of this paper. In riding to hounds, of course, one is principally engaged in looking after one's self ; there is little time to take notice of the methods of others, except to observe at a check or the finish who are the men and women generally there. Well, it is the question how they all get there, and which of their several methods of doing so may be considered the right one—the generally accepted theory as to what constitutes a good man to hounds — which I propose here to discuss, with all due apologies to the many who are better able to discourse on the subject than I am.

The Finished Article.

In most pursuits there are several ways of arriving at a particular point ; none more so than in arriving at the end of a run. For instance, in every hunting field we find the thruster, the down-wind rider, the up-wind theorist, the road-rider, he who sticks mostly to the bridle road with an occasional gap, the man who is ever-



Berkeley, Old, West.
(Hunting coat for servants, yellow plush.
Evening dress: scarlet,
pale buff facings.)



Berkhamsted
Staghounds.



Berkshire, Old.



Berks, South.
(Yellow vest for field coat.)



Berks and Bucks Stag-hounds.
(Black velvet collar.)



Bicester.
(Evening dress: red with red silk facings.)



Bilsdale Hunt.
(Red velvet collar.)



Blackmore Vale.
(Blue plush vest for field coat.)

lastingly "in the air," and the man who is always in a dreadful hurry and galloping generally to some point for which he thinks the fox is making. I do not think that I am far short of the mark when I say that the "Finished Article," although he is none of these things, is composed of several of them. When hard riding first came into vogue in the hunting field, which, I believe I am correct in saying, was in the time of Mr. Hugo Meynell, Master of the Quorn, all countries were not so cut up with railways; there were fewer bridges and means of crossing rivers and canals; many parts of England were not so enclosed, and barbed wire had not been invented. Consequently in those days the only requisite in getting to hounds was the ability to go quite straight, swim any river you came across, and negotiate any bottom or disused watercourse or die in the attempt (more probably your horse died instead!) But nowadays if one did not take advantage of the improved means of negotiating all the obstacles that modern times have brought into existence, such as bridges over rail and river, hunt gates, etc., one would stand a poor chance of seeing the end of a run, considering the greatly increased pace at which hounds now travel.

Wind and Water.

Some years ago I can well remember that for a man to have jumped in and out of a railway was considered as a feather in his cap. One or two men of my acquaintance bear the mark on their faces to this day of unsuccessful attempts to jump out over the railway gates—more difficult on account of the slippery take-off than jumping in. Nowadays one seldom dreams of doing anything of the sort, although to say that such feats are never attempted is, perhaps, going too far, for only last winter I saw a follower of the Cottesmore Hounds jump a five-railed creosoted fence with only just room to land between it and a brook, furthermore his horse landed him safely over the water—I cannot say elegantly, but the feat was done, and many were the "bravos" the performance elicited from the onlooking field. My object in mentioning these matters is to point out that, although a good rider to hounds must have a certain amount of the thruster in him at times, it is nowadays very much less requisite than it was in former times. As for riding up or down wind, anything is better than riding on the very sterns of the pack, and undoubtedly there are times when a man rides up or down wind, if he has the opportunity of making a choice in the matter. But the Finished Article is not always thinking of these matters—*prima facie* he must get to hounds, and this he does irrespective of the direction of the wind, unless they are running very slowly.

Keep Going but never be in a Hurry.

Is he always in the "air?" No; but sometimes he does a great deal of jumping and takes some big places, but he does not pick them out for choice. It is just the reverse; he only goes at them when necessary. Neither is he always galloping. On the contrary, when once going he is never really in a hurry. Yet he must gallop for a start, not only in the fashionable countries, but in all countries; and it is because he gallops for a start and gets quick off the mark, that he is able to go at his ease during the rest of the run without hurry. Does he go down roads? Of course he does when it is the best thing to do; and also he uses a bridle-road when it is in his line, but he does not go out of his way to get on to the bridle-road unless he deems it probable, nay, almost certain, that hounds will turn that way, for reasons for which his knowledge of venery assure him to be valid and sound. The main thing about the Finished Article is that he *keeps going on*, irrespective of anything and everything. But he does not do it jerkily and by fits and starts, but smoothly and quietly, even when he pulls up he does so quietly; and whereas the thruster is only thinking of the immediate fence before him, the Finished Article takes advantage of his capacity to look a field or two ahead. In short, the Finished Article *thinks*.

Ill-formed Judgments.

A man's abilities in riding to hounds, or a woman's either, are not so easy to criticise as would appear offhand. I have often heard people assert with positive assurance that "So-and-So is the best man to hounds down here" after they had had only a short stay in that particular country. There are so many sides to the question as to who is or is not the best man to hounds in any country that a quickly-arrived-at decision such as this cannot be a fair or reliable one. How many chances there are that may prevent a man from exhibiting his true qualities in a short time. There is the chance of a delay in helping a man who has met with an accident, whilst a bad start which all of us must get at times is impossible to recover when hounds run really straight and fast. Then there is the incompetence of the critic to judge simultaneously the capabilities of the respective leaders of the three divisions invariably formed when hounds are running, viz., right, left, and centre, for he cannot be in all three. If he is attending to his own riding, moreover, he will be unable to notice more than a few who happen to be in his own immediate entourage.

An Object Lesson.

If we put ourselves in the place of a young man starting hunting, full of determination to keep the flying pack in sight, and recall our own experience of this probationary period we may perhaps be able to illustrate some of the difficulties to be surmounted before anything approaching the right method is arrived at. We go on scrambling over a country, taking on an average at least a couple of falls a day, going home regularly with a dirty coat and sometimes hatless, until some day when hounds check, run hard, and check again just before reaching a boundary fence into a large enclosure, and then hover before settling to the line on the far side we notice a man, who seldom appears to be in a hurry, making a dash through the crowd for the only negotiable place in the fence. He secures in a moment such a position that none can jump it before him. He goes on and gets a start. We decide to follow him. Our pilot, we note, has now time to choose all the negotiable places as the fences come. No one can pass him without over-riding hounds, yet he never makes sharp turns, but keeps going on, and if hounds swing to him or away he still keeps the same distance from the pack. When he jumps into a field he seems to make straight for the spot where he is going to get out of it, and the hounds always appear to be going in the same direction. Now he stops to open a gate; anon he takes an ox-rail in his stride, but in the majority of cases all the places he jumps are easy and the take-off sound. And so when at last hounds run into their fox after twenty-five minutes of the best we still have our hat on, our coat is not soiled, and we have thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. In short, we come to the conclusion that at any rate this is riding to hounds.

Perseverance and Practice.

Well, the next thing is to try and do it for ourselves; but many seasons elapse before we accomplish anything that can really be said to resemble it to our complete or partial satisfaction. At times we do not feel our fittest, and do not get a start. At others we feel well, get a start, but in the next field hesitate, and so lose all our advantage. Then again, when hounds swing sharply away from us, we sometimes, instead of going on and making a wide bend with them, turn, so as to get in behind them—only to find a whole host of people between us and the pack. On another occasion hounds turn very short towards us, and we, in the middle of them, only realize the enormity of the offence when the Master and others shout at us to "hold hard." Upon one occasion at least we roll over one of the best hounds in the pack as they turn sharp under the fence in the field we are jumping into. Often we fail to notice the railway or the canal in front of us, and do not realize where the bridge is in time, and thus we find ourselves at the tail-end of a long line of horsemen, who had been behind us, but who had *thought*, and had got



Blankney.
(Evening dress: red,
white satin facings.)



Braes of Derwent.
(Black velvet collar.
Evening dress: scarlet,
black velvet collar.)



Bramham Moor
(Silver).



Browne's, Mr. Scott.
(Evening dress: red,
Eton blue lining and
facings.)



Buccleuch's, Duke of
(Green collar. Evening
dress: red, eau-de-Nil
collar and facings.)



Burstow.

(Green collar. Evening dress: scarlet, green facings, white waistcoat.)



Burton.

(Evening dress: red, white silk facings.)



Cambridgeshire.

(Evening dress: scarlet, scarlet facings, yellow waistcoat.)



Carlow.

(Evening dress: scarlet, white silk facings.)



Carmarthenshire.

(Black velvet collar for master and servants only. Evening dress: scarlet, black velvet collar, cream facings.)

there before us. Occasionally we go on for a field or more when hounds have flashed over the line. But we are learning lessons every day, and with all our experience in different countries (we have hunted with over thirty packs of hounds) never a day passes without our being able to learn something fresh, if we only have the sense to grasp it, which will help us to improve our riding to hounds. There are times, however, when we are fortunate—at least, more fortunate than at others. Those are glorious days when everything seems to come naturally. We are quick off the mark, our horse is jumping well, and we manage somehow to see our way out of every field before we jump into it.

Eyes and Ears.

For no apparent reason the best men appear to know when hounds will run or not. How they do so I cannot say, but just as a man whose ancestors have been constantly in trade finds that he has no capacity to lead the life of a country gentleman, so possibly it is that this instinct—I can call it nothing else—is inborn. The hunting man should always endeavour to keep a look-out for anything on the move, such as sheep, birds, etc. He should have an eye for distant objects ahead, such as a pedestrian, or a wagon or trap which might have turned the fox from his line. Thus he will be prepared when hounds check to swing one way or another when they recover the line. When possible always try to watch the leading hounds, and be careful to keep your eyes on the pack when they cast themselves after a check, especially when on the far side of a fence, for usually they run parallel with it when they hit off the line. How much depends on a man's ear, and how many a gallop is lost by men not listening to the music of the pack in cover! Great as is the difference between the sound of hounds running in and out of covert how few men there are who even listen for it, let alone know the distinguishing sound! But it is the fine ear which gets many a man a good start, and enables him to tell which way hounds are turning in covert, and often when they change. How many of the gallant horsemen and women ride *to* hounds? Very few. Most of them ride "after" them. A large percentage of the field ride to points. How fatal! The fox nine times out of ten is going in an opposite direction.

Nerve, Temper and Horsemanship.

Perhaps the first consideration before attempting to compete in the hunting field is to have a good horse, fit, and properly bitted. I say properly bitted, as hunting is not steeplechasing even in the Shires, and one is constantly pulling up. A handy horse will get you much quicker to hounds than a galloping puller, and there are few days throughout the year when one wants a very fast horse. The difficulty is that there are very few men, and still fewer women, who can make their horses gallop, and (shall we say?) let them do so. To be able to gallop, of course, is imperative if you are to be in the front rank. To sum up, then, nerve, decision, the ability to be quick off the mark, and an unlimited store of perseverance are the main essentials for successful riding to hounds. Then, strange as it may appear for anyone to say so, I do not think that a really good man to hounds can be a very bad-tempered man. There are tempers and tempers. Everyone should have a bit of temper if there is anything in him at all. But a nasty-tempered man, one who loses his temper without cause or reason, will never make a good man to hounds. He imparts his bad temper to his horse. You can observe him jobbing him in the mouth and hitting him over the head on every possible occasion. Is it likely that an honest horse, who may have faults which his owner should have discovered before he bought him, will do his best for a man who punishes him unfairly through bad temper or from faults of his own? Most certainly not. One seldom sees a good man over a country quarrelling with his horses. There are a few men who can get a bad horse over a country, but there are a great many men who do not know a good horse from a bad one. You must be able to do this to be successful in the hunting field or you will eat your heart out at the bottom of many a ditch and up and down many a hill.

Foxhunting Blood. Is it dying out?

As I have said the art of riding to hounds is to a certain extent bred in some men, but even so, their ancestors must have made a start at some time, and there is no reason why any young man with no foxhunting forefathers to strain back to should not in the course of time ride with the best of those who have had that advantage. I may be wrong, but it appears to me—and I say it with sincere regret—that in the rising generation of foxhunters fewer young men are to be found who really go in heart and soul for riding to hounds such as they used to, even fifteen or twenty years ago. Quite the old keenness does not seem to be there, and when they come out hunting they do not *compete*. Let us hope that this is a mistake on my part, for if our young men begin to lose their eagerness to ride well to hounds it will be a bad day for the United Kingdom.



Cattistock.
(Evening dress: plain
red.)



"WHO-WHOOP! IN THE OPEN THE VETERAN DIES."

THOMAS & SONS'

Hunting Habits



*Are the Perfection of Cut,
Style and Durability.*

THREE DISTINCT SAFETY
HUNTING SKIRTS.

T. & S. Improved Apron Skirt
is greatly approved for Hunting,
Park and Colonial Wear.

Sporting Garments

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Gowns for the Moors

ETC., ETC.

New Illustrated Sporting Catalogue sent Post Free
on application.

Also Booklet of Original Designs for Tailor-made Gowns.



Patterns of their Special and Exclusive Cloths and Price List on application to —

THOMAS & SONS

32 BROOK STREET, GROSVENOR SQUARE, LONDON, W.

Telephone No. 4652 GERRARD.

Telegraphic Address: "SPORTINGLY, LONDON."



M. Dorothy Hardy.

"With a quick shortened stride as the distance you measure,
With a crack of the nostril and cock of the ear
And a rocketing bound, and we're over, my treasure!"



"SHUT ALL GATES WHEN RETURNING HOME AFTER A DAY'S HUNTING."

The Duty of Foxhunters towards the Farmers.

(BY RICHARD ORD.)

In the Good Old Days.

TIME was—alas! now many years ago, for we have to take our memory back to the seventies of last century—when agriculture, the mainspring it may be truly said of all commercial enterprise, and the quondam foundation of our national wealth, was in the flourishing condition which befits so vast and important an undertaking; when the landlords of this country were in a pecuniary condition to fulfil to the letter the varied duties of their position; and when the tenant-farmers knew that they were certain to reap the fruits of the toil and labour bestowed upon the land. In those good old days Foxhunting stood upon a very different footing from what it does at the present moment. *Then* it may be said to have depended solely upon the support, and wishes of the landowners, who supplied the sinews of war ungrudgingly, and regarded the sport almost exclusively as their own. The dimensions of the "field," too, were comparatively limited, composed as it was for the most part of men whose entire interest lay in the land, and who hunted, not because it was the proper and becoming thing for a sportsman to do, but because they had been brought up from boyhood in the very midst of foxhunting associations, and were imbued in a truly remarkable degree with all the best and truest traditions of sport. *Then*, of course, subscription packs existed, but the number of private packs of hounds was larger than it is at the present day, and no one can gainsay the fact that the great majority of the followers of the hunt in those days were far better judges of the noble science of foxhunting than nowadays, when the whole sport is of a much more artificial nature.

Tempora Mutantur.

Times have indeed changed, for better or for worse, and it behoves all whose pleasure lies in the grand old pastime to endeavour to realise to the full the altered conditions under which they pursue their favourite sport, and to make the best of



Cheshire.
(Green collar for hunt
servants.)



Cheshire, South.
(Same button as
Cheshire Hunt. Green
collar. Evening dress:
scarlet, green collar.)



Chiddingfold.
(Evening dress: red,
white cloth facings.)

those conditions, by giving the principles which govern them their loyal and undivided support. It has been shown that until the advent of the last quarter of the nineteenth century the landlords of the United Kingdom constituted the "sinews and marrow" of foxhunting; at the *present* moment the tenant-farmers, who formerly played but a minor part in the Game, are responsible for a fair share of the "backbone." It behoves, therefore, all whose heart is in that sport which surely has done more than all other sports and pastimes combined to develop all the finest traits of the Anglo-Saxon character, to recognise this to the full, and to do all in their power to promote the best possible feeling between three classes of people, viz., the landlords, who, impoverished though they are, still make great sacrifices on behalf of the national sport; the tenant-farmers, through whose courtesy and instinctive love of legitimate sport hounds are still welcomed almost everywhere; and those who participate in the chase, whose first thought should ever be to do the least possible damage to the property and feelings of those upon whom they are so dependent for their enjoyment.

Avoid Unnecessary Damage.

Assuming this to be a correct proposition, our first duty seems to lie in a protection of the interests of the tenant-farmers, who are undoubtedly not so prosperous as they were half a century or less time ago. This can be done in a multitude of ways, each perhaps almost trifling, and infinitesimal in its cost, and dependent more upon the natural grace and manner in which it is carried out, but *all* working towards one great end—the promotion of a cordial feeling between all classes whose support is necessary for the proper maintenance of foxhunting. All who follow the hounds no doubt instinctively know that it is their duty to their fellow creatures to avoid doing any unnecessary damage, but many are, unfortunately, carried away in the excitement of a good gallop, and at times do things which they would certainly avoid doing in their calmer moments. A few words judiciously spoken by the master, or some person in authority, will generally have the effect of restraining the ardour of these individuals who, in addition possibly to causing friction with those over whose land they have been careering, have most probably been instrumental in spoiling the sport of everyone else; but this is a matter that need not be more than merely referred to here, and can always be well left in the hands of the master or his deputy.

Buy Forage and Supplies at Home.

Very important is it that, so far as lies in their power, all purchases of food or forage, whether by master or stud groom, should be made directly from tenant-farmers residing within the limits of the country. Of course, instances may occur where this is impossible, but it is well that it should always be the first thought of a hunting man to procure everything he reasonably can at home. Corn, hay, straw, and horses, too, if the country is a horse-breeding one, and his requirements can be reasonably met. True it is that tenant-farmers are at times apt to ask rather exorbitant prices for their supplies, but a little tact on the hunting man's part will generally result in a fair bargain being struck, especially if the demand is likely to continue. In many hunting countries the honorary secretary can supply a would-be purchaser with a list of the farmers who have forage, etc., for sale, and this arrangement is to be commended, tending, as it must do, to bring foxhunters and farmers into closer relationship. That the system is perfectly feasible we can warrant, having never found it necessary, during a period of close on 30 years, to purchase a single parcel of hay, corn, or straw outside our own country, and the results have never proved unsatisfactory.

Support the Local Shows.

Another great duty of foxhunters seems to be their loyal support of all the local agricultural shows in the country which is peculiarly their own. And an opportunity here occurs of preventing the spread of barbed wire (the greatest



Cleveland.
(Dark blue cloth collar.
Evening dress: dark
blue coat, white silk
facings, with gold
hound on collar.)



Clifford's, Lord de.



Cornwall, East.
(Dark blue collar.
Evening dress: scarlet,
white facings, dark blue
collar.)



Cornwall, North.
(Evening dress: white
facings.)



Coshmore and
Coshbride.
(Evening dress: red,
primrose facings.)



County Down Stag
Hunt.



Cotswold.
(Green collar. Evening
dress : red, green velvet
collar, red silk facings.)



Cotswold, North.
(Primrose collar. Even-
ing dress : red, primrose
collar and facings.)



Cottesmore.
(Evening dress : red,
usually red silk facings,
white waistcoat.)



Craven (Silver).
(Evening dress : red,
white facings.)

enemy foxhunting has ever had) by offering prizes for competition only by tenant-farmers who have no barbed wire in their hedges. This is a very important factor, and when several prizes, with these or similar conditions, are subscribed for from year to year, a spirit of unfriendly feeling, almost amounting to animosity towards the cruel pest, is imperceptibly created in the country, and the farming element becomes so imbued with this feeling, that they begin to look upon everyone who erects it as an interloper, and inflicting an injury upon themselves. This is a feeling which all hunting men should try to encourage, and when once started and carefully nursed the *esprit de corps* so engendered is of incalculable benefit to a master of hounds. What has been done in one country can with a little tact be carried out in any other.

Promote Hedge-cutting and Ploughing Contests.

Hedge-cutting and ploughing competitions are also to be promoted, especially the former, which benefits alike farming and foxhunting. As a rule, the two competitions are worked together (at any rate in the North of England), and nothing pleases a tenant-farmer more than to find that the "gentlemen of the hunt" are associated with him in any scheme in which he has an extensive and practical share. Yet another point worth consideration : it is important, especially in a horse-breeding country, that the occupiers of land should be supplied with a suitable thoroughbred stallion for getting hunters, and this can generally be arranged through the generosity of the master, or some other influential person in the country, or, if necessary, by a "round robin" amongst those who hunt regularly there, either on the terms of a trifling payment for the services of the stallion, or possibly gratis. Perhaps a small charge is to be preferred, as in many countries tenant-farmers do not seem to appreciate a thing so much if it entails no expense upon them whatever ! In any case walkers of puppies should be the first to whom the privilege should be extended, for they do much in a thoroughly unselfish manner on behalf of sport, and it is well that their exertions in this direction should be recognised and rewarded. In the carrying out of these suggestions no great amount of money is required ; it is the *spirit* in which they are done which pleases the tenant-farmer, who is by nature obstinate when opposed, but grateful for any seeming concession on his behalf, and be it always remembered, much more easily led than driven.

Entertain the Tenant-Farmers, Puppy-Walkers, etc.

At the end of each hunting season an opportunity should never be missed of collecting all the leading tenant-farmers, earth stoppers, and puppy-walkers together, and addressing them on foxhunting topics, and for this purpose a luncheon may be provided for the men, and tea for their wives and daughters, on the occasion of the Hunt Steeplechases, if such are held, or at an agricultural show, or on some other suitable occasion. Never has the master a grander opportunity of increasing his stock of puppy-walkers, and dealing thoroughly with the barbed-wire question, than by making a few happy and tactful remarks, full of good humour, and interlarded with a spicy joke or two, to men who have enjoyed to the full the good things set before them. No foxhunter will begrudge his scription to any fund for this purpose, and a total of £100, collected in small sums, of, say, one or two pounds, will provide an ample and first-class luncheon for upwards of 500 friends of the hunt, and tea for 250 of their wives and daughters.

The Foxhunter's Duty Summed Up.

Our duty, then, as foxhunters, towards the tenant-farmers may be summed up concisely, as follows :—

Avoid doing any unnecessary damage when out with the hounds, particularly when they are not running.

Shut all gates when returning home after a day's hunting, and give your second horseman particular instructions always to do the same thing.

Never "lark" home ; you are most probably doing unreasonable damage, and run the risk of injuring a valuable horse, *whilst you get no sympathy from anyone.*

Make all your forage purchases, if possible, in your own country.

Support all the local agricultural shows, and don't forget to offer a special barbed-wire prize if you can possibly afford it.

Subscribe, if requested, towards the purchase of a suitable *thoroughbred* stallion to cover farmers' mares, at a low figure, or gratis.

Don't forget those who have in any way contributed voluntarily towards your sport at the end of the season, and throw a few shillings away at times to level crossing gate openers, farmers' lads who open hunting wickets, and, indeed, any others who assist the noble sport in any trifling way. Every little helps to make one "Summum Bonum," and the "Whole Good" is made up of infinitesimal trifles in this way, but it is a mighty and irresistible power, and you can soon detect its influence if you hunt in a country where attention is paid to these trifles.

The Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution.

Lastly, but not leastly, do not forget that there is such a charity as the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution, for the benefit of distressed farmers, and their wives—men and women who have seen better days, and have struggled, many of them gallantly, against reverses over which they could have no control. Many of them are foxhunters at heart, who have cheered on the hounds as they crossed their land, and thrown their leg across the old pony to join in the chase. Remember these poor fellows now only *exist*—we still *live*, and as long as we live let us do all we can to try and make a little less hard and irksome the unutterably sad lot of their mere *existence*.



Crawley and
Horsham

(Evening dress : white
silk facings.)



Croome.



"Then shog along homeward, chat over the fight,
And hear in our dreams the sweet music all night."



Dorothy Hardy

"The hunter's an animal purposely bred
 After the pack to be ridden, not over;
 Foxhounds are not reared to be knocked on the head."

On a Knowledge of Hounds.

(By "MAINTOP.")



Cumberland.
 (Evening dress: red,
 French grey facings.)



Dartmoor.
 (Evening dress: red,
 white facings, white
 waistcoat.)



Devon and
 Somerset Staghounds.

THERE is very little doubt that the love of "hunting" is declining in these days. The great sport of England—foxhunting—on the contrary, is more popular than ever. There are more hounds, more horses, more men in boots and breeches, and also more foxes every year as time goes on; and there are some who prophesy that the popularity of the pastime will eventually cause its ruin, because of the increasing crowds and the damage they do. Yet before Xmas-time has come we shall hear and read complaints, that also yearly are on the increase, to the effect that runs are being spoiled daily in every hunt where the fields rule at all large, by the over-riding of hounds, the noise of a crowd at a check, and the general ignorance displayed by those who come out to hunt the fox of the manner in which that hunting should be carried out.

What used to be.

In the earlier part of the nineteenth century foxhunting was an institution in the rural parts of the land, and was recognised by all as the pastime in which everyone could join; and the hounds, so often then the private property of a county magnate, were welcomed by all but a few malcontents here and there throughout the length and breadth of the land. When fox-hunting was talked of, written about and toasted in those days, when songs descriptive of the pleasures of the chase were composed in its honour, the theme was not the riding of the men but the chase of the fox, his shifts to escape, and the clever working of the hounds in pursuit. The favourites were named, and their individual merits described in laudatory terms. In the "crack countries" in the English Midlands hounds have no doubt been over-ridden ever since "fashionable" hunting came into vogue, and Nimrod's "*go along—there are three couples of hounds on the line*" was long ago subjected to scathing rebuke by Mr. Surtees, who used Jorrocks as his mouthpiece.

But foxhunting, though all do not go to Melton to indulge in the sport, has nowadays become so very much "the thing to do," that it brings people out who have no real liking for the actual pursuit of the animal by the hounds, but who join in the chase because everyone hunts; and, taking not the slightest real interest in hounds or their work, give them little chance of showing their wondrous instinct and sagacity.

How the Love of Hound-work was Fostered.

It has been suggested that the want of interest displayed by the present generation in hounds and their work arises from the fact that the dog is no longer used for sporting purposes to the same extent that he was by their ancestors. Formerly the kennels of every country house contained at least a couple of brace of pointers or setters, a spaniel or two for the hedgerow and rough shooting, or a couple of rabbiting terriers. Nowadays one very often indeed finds the old kennels occupied by two or three retrievers only. One of these may be the favourite of his master, and travel with him to various "shoots," but the others are probably only worked by the keepers when the guns go out. Formerly the work of the pointers or setters was noted with the keenest interest and formed perhaps the chiefest of the pleasures of country life in the autumn. Boys grew up with a knowledge of the "points" of the animals who found their game for them. They looked for the shoulders, the loin, and straightness of limb that give the even, untiring action; the well-sprung ribs and muscular quarters that betoken constitution, endurance, and activity, and the head that shows wisdom and intelligence. The breaking and early training afforded the deepest interest, and by keeping their eyes perpetually on their dogs when at work the youth of a past generation knew what every movement meant from the moment the couples were taken off and they began to range. They watched them sink the wind, and cross and recross in front of them with lashing sterns; by the carriage of the head and the alteration of their stride they knew they had the taint of game in the air though yet afar off. At once they noted whether the scent was good, bad, or indifferent, and knew how to make allowance for the behaviour of their dogs in consequence. These lads had little to learn about the work of the hounds they followed when they grew up. They could see when the pack were not served by a good scent, and refrained from hurrying them by riding too near, as they would have held back on the moor when they noticed by the alteration in their action that Grouse and Bang had "got the birds," but couldn't quite decide in what exact direction to "draw." They took heed of everything done by hounds, and didn't consider them only animals to be ridden as near to as possible, but came out with the idea that they were going to hunt a wild animal by his scent. Nowadays I know lots of young men who have never seen a pointer or setter at work, and many more who are quite ready to tell you that they never want to do so.

Not to the Manner Born.

Of course there are many more men hunting at the present day than formerly who are not country bred, whose forebears were citizens, of credit and renown no doubt, but who had no opportunity of leading a country life or taking an interest in the habits and instincts of any of our fauna or the animals that are used in their pursuit. Yet some of these men turn out our very best sportsmen—strange though it may appear—our best riders, shots, and polo players. All is new to them; they take sports and pastimes up with a zest and thoroughness that is pleasant to see; they set to work to learn, to study, and to train; they make more of a business of it than those to the manner born; they possess the sporting instinct and the means to gratify it, and they succeed. But their success gives them many imitators, and many take up sport because others do, and without much thought of what they are setting about. I heard it remarked the other day that more than half the men who now shoot grouse never saw the egg of the bird in their lives; and that many members of "shooting syndicates" in England couldn't tell the egg of a pheasant



Devon, East.
(Evening dress: red,
brown tan facings.)



Devon, Mid.
(Blue plush collar.)



Devon, South.
(Buff collar. Evening
dress: red, buff collar
and facings.)



Dorset, South.
(White collar. Evening
dress: red, white collar,
red facings.)



Duhallow.
(Evening dress: red,
coat, white facings,
white vest, black
trousers.)



Dumfriesshire.
(Black velvet collar for
Master and hunt ser-
vants. Evening dress:
red, black velvet collar,
white cashmere facings.)



Durham, North.
(Black collar. Evening
dress: red, black velvet
collar, red facings.)



Durham, South.
(Dark blue velvet collar.
Evening dress: red,
dark blue silk collar
and facings.)



Eastbourne.
(Evening dress: red.)



Eggesford.
(Black velvet collar.
Evening dress: scarlet
coat, black velvet collar.)

from that of a partridge if they were paid for it. Yet the ignorance of these gunners does not prevent their being able to shoot the bird when he comes over them, though they may know little about his incubation.

How Educate the Modern Foxhunter?

But on the other hand the ignorance of a certain modern type of foxhunter about hounds is often sufficient to account for his inability to ride to them like a sportsman, or to behave like one in the hunting-field. The question then arises how is such a man to be educated? How is he to be persuaded to take an interest in the hounds he follows. Hunt Secretaries have in some cases made a brave endeavour in the matter by printing cards or circulars containing little rules telling the recipient what he is *not* to do; but I have never seen any advice printed suggesting that it would be well to notice hounds a little more, to find out something about them, to learn a few of the names of the celebrities, and generally to cultivate an interest in their proceedings. There are some hounds and some families of hounds who become shy of horsemen and nervous on a bad scenting day; and an old huntsman has told me of hounds that always sulked when men who had ridden over them were out, and could hardly be persuaded to leave his (the huntsman's) horse on such days. There are certain wild, stormy days that a huntsman dreads, and on which he has a perfect loathing for a crowd. On such days scent is generally catchy. Hounds cannot hear each other; men cannot hear the hounds; there is generally a stampede, an overdose of holloaing from horsemen and foot-people; hounds become wild; sometimes take days to recover it; and *ought to be very tenderly treated by the field for the rest of that day at all events.*

The Individuality of Hounds.

Well-bred foxhounds are full of individual character, as anyone who watches the pack may detect for himself when on the way to the meet, or going from covert to covert, but most of all perhaps when coming home from hunting. And the sportsman who is thus observant may be sure that if he mentions what he sees to the huntsman he will hear many tales of sagacity and peculiarity of temperament that will create much interest and give much food for reflection. His attention will be drawn to individual hounds, and he will obtain a personal knowledge of many members of the pack which may stand him in good stead during the season. In the works of "The Druid" will be found many of the short, intense paragraphs, which are so telling, concerning the deeds of favourite foxhounds in the brave days of old—of Sir Thomas Mostyn's Lady, of Mr. Corbet's great hound who "jumped the park wall and killed his fox by himself in that memorable style which still makes the Shropshire roof-trees ring again in response to '*One Cheer more for the blood of Old Trojan.*'" In "Silk and Scarlet" we read how Mr. Farquharson's Splendour quite took the palm for obstinacy and "resolutely refused to leave the huntsman's heels for three years, and then felt what a pickpocket would style 'the uncontrollable influence'"—how also Vanquisher "baffled Kit Naylor for a whole season and a cub-hunting, and then suddenly spoke to it on a flagged footpath, of all places, as he was casting down a lane."

Read the Druid Series.

"The Druid" tells us also of Heythrop Nathan, whose science as a road-hunter was so wonderful, and who transmitted it to his progeny, for his son Nobleman "carried it down a road for a mile-and-a-half. The others following had faith, but would not speak to it; and Jem (Hills) trotted behind, strong in the belief that '*he never told a lie in his life yet.*' Still he wavered in his allegiance, when a woman with a sickly child sitting under the side of a hedge vowed that nothing had passed that way, but Nobleman knew better, and another nose was added to the Heythrop store." This great road-hunting sire Nathan was put to a very extraordinary brood bitch named Affable, who fell blind from distemper and was never entered. She was by Assheton Smith's Ruler, who came from Lord

Ducie, and looked such a miserable object but turned out such a wonder, that he caused Mr. Smith to utter his dictum that "no one ever can know them till they're two." The blind Affable bred 45 couples in all, and when she got hold of a fox's head seemed to go crazy and would tear it to pieces. Her son Ranter, by Rocket, and all the other Rockets were amazingly fond of carrying the head. Lord Dillon had Affable and sent her home to whelp, "but she did not admire her change of quarters, and made a well-meant attempt to carry her puppies back to Ditchley. By crossing the brook, and thus avoiding the village, she got four young Plunders safely deposited on the common, and she had carried one on and was leaving it on the Steward's doorstep when she was discovered. They also say that she was as good as the blind guide on the Eastern Counties line, and that a ladies' maid who had got lost in the wood coming from Chesbury, would have been left out all night if she had not met her rabbit-hunting, and submitted to her pilotage." It seems to us that tales such as these so graphically related should arouse interest, and I recommend to the notice of sportsmen "the Druid Series"—a capital reprint brought out not long ago by Vinton & Co., the publishers of our old friend, *Baily's Magazine*.

The Sins of Some Ladies.

Last season there were many complaints by Masters of Hounds about the unintentional harm done owing to the ignorance displayed by ladies in the hunting-field; and some very ungallant expressions of opinion were used. Something that appeared in print on the subject from the pen of the present writer caused him to receive quite a large budget of letters of thanks from Masters of Hounds, some of whom were entire strangers. But the picture has its reverse. The writer was "tackled" in quite a different fashion by one fair dame, whose conscience surely must have given her a very bad time, for she informed him with asperity that "ladies were not supposed to know anything about dogs"; the reply that "they ought not in that case even to think of coming out hunting" was of course obvious, if not soothing. It was not over-riding of hounds on the part of ladies (whose presence in the hunting-field is always much appreciated by the wielder of this pen) that was complained of last year by indignant M.F.H.'s, so much as over-riding of new grass and "wheat"—the generic term for all grain in the hunting-field—but most of all they found fault with the chatter at the covert-side after the fox is found, and the clamour of silvery tongues when hounds check; at which time ladies never seem to think it necessary to stand still. "Hen cackle! I call it," wrote one furious M.F.H. who hunts his own hounds. Such a good fellow, too, and so much liked by the fair sex! He who wouldn't say a word to them (if he could possibly keep it in) no matter what they did, yet writes imploringly "to keep at them, give it them hot and rub it in." "The women are the worst at a check—*far the worst*," writes another Master, and so many seem to be of the same opinion that we suppose it must be so.

Why Ladies are often the Offenders.

Why in the sacred name of Diana should this be? Go with a party of ladies to visit a kennel or look at a puppy show, then the reason will become apparent. "Ladies are not supposed to know anything about dogs"! In the present day, when in some countries they compose more than half the field, that early Victorian opinion had better be forgotten as speedily as possible, and ladies who hunt should be assured that the more they know about hounds the better. The knowledge that is requisite does not amount to an ability to pass an exam. on the Foxhound Kennel Stud Book, but much may be acquired by reading the works of Surtees, Whyte-Melville and other sporting authors who wrote about "*hunting*," and not only of the jumping of fences in pursuit of hounds; and still more by talking over the matter contained in this trifling article with the sportsmen of their acquaintance who are competent to advise them.



Eglinton's, Earl of.
(Evening dress: red,
dark blue facings)



Enfield Chase.
(Blue cloth lappels.)



Eridge.



Eskdale.



Essex.



Essex, East.

The Advantages of Beagling.

It would be well if all ladies who take to hunting after they are "grown up" would go through a little preliminary education with a pack of foot beagles. They would learn from them for what reason hounds are brought out, and this would give them an additional pleasure when they begin their foxhunting career. Besides the pleasures of the gallop over fences and the thrilling sensation of keeping a good place in a quick thing, they would also *now* delight in noting the dashing work of the hounds, the quick wheeling and spreading of the pack, the glorious cry as—"all together again"—they press onward and stretch themselves out over the green pastures. This new pleasure, too, would probably banish the thought of jealousy of others of the sisterhood, which has occasionally been accused of possessing that little failing, not a very deadly sin, perhaps, but one that is certainly not conducive to the sport of foxhunting.

Know the Hounds and you will Know the Rules.

A knowledge of hounds—some knowledge at least—is what is required then by the foxhunters who are about to take the field this season if the preventible injury to the sport is to cease. There are rules for every game that is played, and all the players should know the rules. Those who take an interest in hounds will know the reason for each rule, and why, above all things, we should "*stand still when hounds have checked, give them plenty of room and keep silent.*"

MAINTOP.



Essex Staghounds



Essex and Suffolk.
(Evening dress: red,
red facings.)



Essex Union.
(Evening dress: red,
white facings.)



Exmoor.



Fernie's, Mr.
(Evening dress: scarlet
satin facings.)

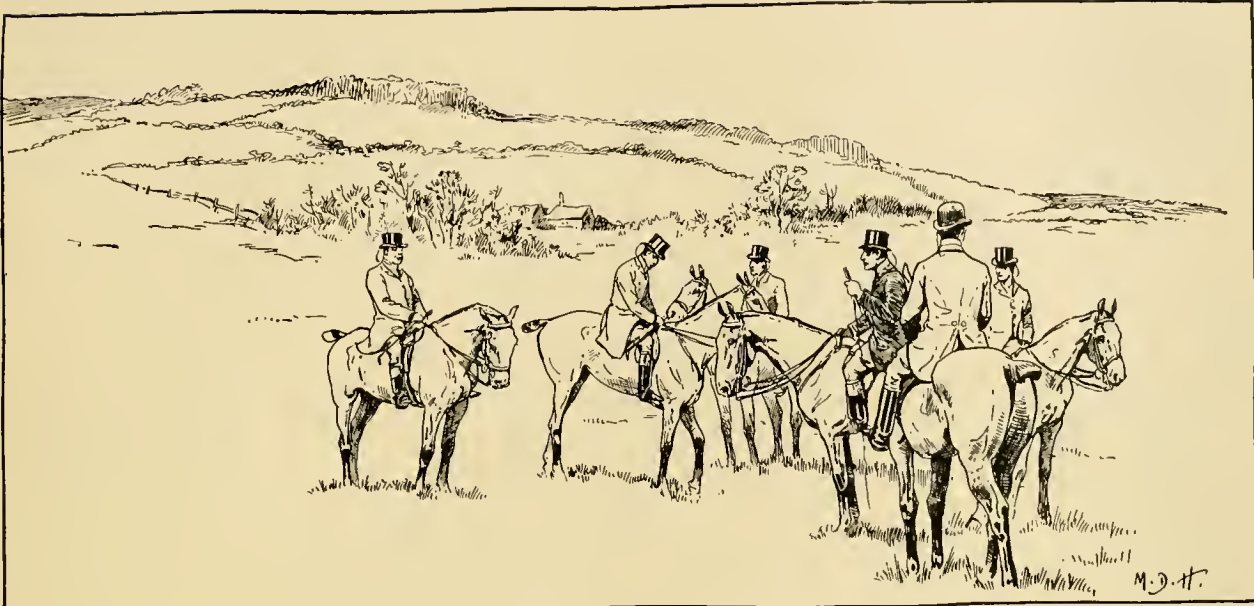


Fife.
(Evening dress: red,
red silk facings.)





"Bridle roads bringing them, see how they gather!
Dotted the meadows in scarlet and white."



Dress for the Hunting Man.

The Wearing of Scarlet.

MEN and manners change, and fashions with them. But one fashion of the fox-hunting world has happily remained unaltered since those early days when the chase first became a recognised sport. We refer to the wearing of scarlet, that touch of colour which so gladdens the eye as we watch a field of keen riders gallantly making their way over plough and pasture. As we write, the cubbing season is at its height, and the picture at the covert side is drab and grey and comparatively uninteresting. A welcome change comes over the scene on the opening day of the regular season ; mufti is discarded by all who give two thoughts to their appearance, and the "panoply of the chase" blossoms out in its full glory. This is as it should be, because not only does it show a proper respect for the Master and the Hunt of which you are a member to come out properly attired, but it pleases the farmer to see the scarlet coat and the hunt button.

The Farmers' View.

"How are we to tell who are the regular supporters of the pack and who are not," said a farmer in rather a big way to the secretary of one of the leading packs in the West Midlands, "excepting the master and servants, you all seem to be dressed the same, more like a lot of horse dealers than proper hunting gentlemen. We are always glad to see the members over our land," he continued, "for most of them have something in common with us, but we don't feel the same towards those men who pay nothing to the Hunt and come down here with as much bounce and assurance as if the land belonged to them." The farmer, the true sportsman as he is at heart, must always be allowed his little "growl," but in this instance it was perfectly justified, and his blunt words ought to be echoed through every hunting district where an endeavour is made to uphold the traditional dignity of the chase. This is not the first time the subject has been alluded to in THOMAS' HUNTING DIARY, and several Masters of Hounds have written since last year expressing their approval of the plea which we then made for the more general observance of regulation costume. "The countryman reaps very few advantages from the sportsmen who invade his district," says one of



Fitzwilliam (Silver).
(Green collar. Evening
dress: red, dark green
velvet collar.)



Fitzwilliam's, Earl.*
(Green collar. Evening
dress: red, dark green
velvet collar, white
facings and waistcoat,
silver buttons.)

[* A plain button is now
being used.]



Flint and Denbigh.
(Evening dress: red,
red velvet collar, red
silk facings.)



Four Burrow
(Black velvet collar.)



Galway County.
(White collar for ladies.
Evening dress: red,
white silk facings.)



Galway, East.
(Yellow collar. Evening
dress: red, yellow
facings.)



Galway's, Viscount.
(Evening dress: red,
white facings.)

the best-known men in the Shires, "and we might, therefore, at least give him the benefit of a respectable show. It is to our interest and to the interest of hunting generally that the sport should remain popular amongst those whom circumstances prevent from taking any active participation, and we may be sure that popularity would quickly wane were the scarlet coat to become a thing of the past."

A Question for the One-horse Man.

It is not always from carelessness or mere indifference to the unwritten laws of hunting that followers of hounds neglect to put themselves into pink. For the man who keeps his four or five hunters and sends a substantial subscription to the hunt secretary, there is no sort of difficulty. Scarlet is unquestionably the correct wear for him, and he is one of those to whom we look primarily to turn out faultlessly equipped in the matter of dress. But there is the one-horse man and small subscriber, who asks himself whether it would really be the right thing to appear in scarlet. In some countries he would not be expected to do so, but why this is the case we cannot imagine. Really, there is no earthly reason why he should not hunt in pink if he feels so disposed. Not long ago this very matter was in discussion, and though there were a few who considered that our one-horse man would be unwise in sporting a scarlet coat, we for our own part thoroughly agreed with the authority who said, "Why shouldn't he? If the horse is good, the man good, and he subscribes to the hounds, surely he is as much entitled to wear pink as the biggest man in the Hunt." In provincial countries hunting folk seem to think they can wear just what they please, but it should always be borne in mind that the larger number of scarlet coats and silk hats seen at a meet on a fine hunting morning the greater is the credit redounding to the Hunt concerned.

Old Styles and New.

Anyone who cared to trace the changes that have occurred in the matter of hunting costume since the time of Hugo Meynell, would find it a most interesting occupation. The old hunting writers tell us what was worn a hundred years ago, but one derives a much better idea of the bygone fashions from the pictorial art of the early part of the last century. In these old prints and engravings, so keenly sought after nowadays by collectors, one sometimes sees the "neck to ankle" hunting coat of the eighteenth century. What a sensation would be caused if a sportsman enveloped in one of these cumbersome garments were to "join the glad throng" at a lawn meet of the Pytchley or Cottesmore to-day. Imagine a coat nearly touching the ground, with voluminous skirts and big sleeves, buttoning very low in front, and surmounted by a big roll collar. Get this picture in your mind, and then contrast it with the neat and stylish swallow-tailed coat which has been so much worn during recent years in those places where a man must be smart or nothing, or with the Beaufort shape coat now so popular, which takes the form of a Master's frock coat with the skirts slightly rounded in front. The old-time garment doubtless will appear very absurd, but I doubt not that our forefathers found it very comfortable. In those days they did not have much necessity for hunting aprons—by no means an unmixed blessing in a gale of wind—and the introduction of these was probably contemporaneous with the disappearance of the heavy skirts. At that time of day there was no barbed wire to be encountered, otherwise we fear the skirts would have suffered. Curiously enough, the roll collar of the ancient hunting coat would seem to be coming into vogue again. At any rate, Mr. Alfred W. Thomas, who contributed an interesting article on the history of hunting dress to the *Badminton Magazine* last year, says that the old type of collar, cut low in front in order to show the stock, is sometimes reverted to in scarlet coats of the latest make.

Changes in Hunting Coats.

As the popularity of fox-hunting increased, and hounds and horses were bred to travel faster, and the whole business of the chase was placed on a less leisurely footing than formerly, no room was found for the old full-skirted coat. Hunting men went from one extreme to the other, and the fashionable wear became the extremely tight and very short frock coat, short-waisted, and

with high collars rising to the ears. Eventually came the cut-away tail coat, which has never quite lost its popularity, though the huntsman's frock coat has always been much liked, and is now becoming quite popular again, and was at one time even more generally worn than at present. This coat has been a favourite with those who have not the figure, tall and slim, which shows off a swallow-tail to the best advantage. These types of coat are practically the only ones which the hunting tailor has to offer you at the present time, and such ample variety is offered by the three that they are likely to remain in fashion for a long time to come.

Correct Wear for the Present Season.

But as we are now dealing with the hunting coat of the present day, a closer examination of the precise styles will doubtless prove acceptable to the average hunting man, and especially to the young Nimrod who finds the question of equipment a far wider one than he had bargained for. We always recommend anyone who asks our advice on hunting clothes to place himself in the hands of a well-known hunting tailor, and then he cannot go very far wrong. But there are many who are not content with this advice, and want to know for themselves exactly "what's what." It may be explained, therefore, that for the past two or three years the skirts of all hunting coats have been cut shorter than formerly in order to show more of the breeches. Swallow-tail coats, with their eminently "dressy" appearance, are still "all the go" with smart people in the fashionable countries. But not so many of them are found outside of the Shires or the fashionable Irish countries, and the ordinary Beaufort Coat referred to above is the wear Mr. Thomas would advise for the average provincial country. The latter garment has the advantage of suiting almost any figure, and when such a coat is well made and skilfully fitted, one really cannot wish for anything more elegant. The skirts of this shape coat are being rather more rounded in front than last season. As everybody knows, the Master of Hounds and hunt servants wear a frock coat which is cut quite square in the skirts, and those sportsmen, who are not officials, yet prefer this type of coat generally have the corners rounded off in front in order to give them less of an official appearance. In spite of the custom which has come about of leaving the frock coat mainly to the Master of Hounds, the comfort and utility given by its length and warmth cannot be denied. For those who do not ride in scarlet, grey coats seem to have become almost as popular as black. The greys are of many shades, and the coats themselves are cut in many shapes. Butcher boots have come to be largely worn with grey coats, made of either patent or blacking leather with patent leather tops. With regard to cubbing things, the long sac coat, close fitting in the waist and skirty, is still popular, but more Beaufort shape coats are now worn for mufti and cub-hunting than last season.

A Word on the Waistcoat.

Although it is a matter which sometimes escapes attention, it is just as important for the correctly-attired hunting man to have a suitable waistcoat as a smart coat. The double-breasted waistcoat, so popular half-a-dozen years ago, is never seen now on a well-dressed hunting man. Single-breasted ones are exclusively worn, and the step-collar waistcoat of a plain buff or yellow is very fashionable. In selecting a flannel or woollen waistcoat, care should be taken in the matter of its pattern. Some men seem to be able to carry off well a check which on other men would strike the eye offensively, and the latter contingency must of course be avoided at all costs. The modern tailor takes special care to give us a waistcoat with a back long enough to protect the loins, an important consideration truly in these days of lumbago.

The Art of Breeches-Making.

Breeches, like the hunting coat, have not escaped the changes of fashion. Indeed, men have gone to just the same extremes in regard to them. In Beau Brummel's time, the hunting tailor who could make his breeches to fit the tightest won the most patronage, and doeskins to cover the legs like a second skin were the order at this period. The men apparently wanted to look as though they had been "melted down and run into leathers," as Lord Alvanley remarked, and



Garth.
(Evening dress: red,
white facings.)



Gerard's, The Hon. R



Glamorgan.
(Black collar. Evening
dress: red, red collar,
primrose facings.)



Grafton.



Hambledon, East and
West.
(Evening dress: red
coat, white waistcoat.)



Hampshire.
(Evening dress: dark
blue coat, buff waist-
coat.)

THOMAS & SONS'

LACE-KNEED BREECHES

TESTIMONIAL.

*From the Earl of Rosslyn
To Messrs. Thomas & Sons, Breeches Makers,
Brook Street, Grosvenor Square, W.*

"DEAR SIRs,—It will interest you to know that I have never had a better pair of breeches in my life than those you made for me on going to S. Africa. I shall be glad if you will make me a similar pair of the same stuff as quickly as possible.

"Yours faithfully,

"ROSSLYN."

The above were
Lace-Kneed Breeches.



TESTIMONIAL.

"PRETORIA,
July 5th, 1900.

"To Messrs. THOMAS.

"SIRs,—I should be much obliged if you would send me another pair of breeches like those you made for me last October, they wore very well. I wore them regularly while we were in Cape Colony for three months, and the whole march from Orange River to Bloemfontein, when I had leather strappings put on.

"W.C.D."

"6th Dragoon Guards,
Field Force,
South Africa."

Have proved a great success and can be thoroughly recommended where occasional expansion or contraction is required. Gives an even graduating pressure at the knee, unobtainable with buttons.

Several other Novelties on view and in preparation.



THOMAS & SONS

Hunting Outfitters

32 Brook Street, London, W.

Telephone No. 4652 Gerrard.

Telegrams : "Sportingly, London."

woe to the tailor who could not fit his customer to the last half-inch. Fortunately for the sartorial artist—though this is a fact not generally known—the making of tight breeches is not a matter of supreme difficulty, and, as Mr. Thomas has said, the servants' close-fitting leathers as seen to-day are comparatively easy to deal with, but loose-thighed breeches are most baffling of all to the ordinary tailor who tries to cut them. His difficulty is to get the loose stuff in the right place and keep it there. Unless this is done, the breeches will not be a success—and oh! the misery of an ill-fitting pair. Only those who have suffered in this way can truly appreciate the niceties of breeches turned out by a really expert firm. Indeed, it is a mistake to go to any other people than experts whose long and special study has been the building of this particular garment. Breeches-making is an art in itself, and all experienced hunting men know this. If a couple of hundred men in the Shires could be questioned on the subject, we doubt whether the names of more than four or five favourite London firms would be mentioned. It takes many years of specialising to gain a reputation of this kind, and it is not surprising, therefore, to find that Mr. Alfred Thomas and the heads of other leading firms give their personal attention to this important department, even though the names of those firms are as household words among well-dressed hunting people.

The History of Leathers.

But we had intended to give some account of the changes that have occurred in the fashions of hunting breeches, and have gone off at a tangent into the subject of making them. Leathers, as we have said, were the regulation wear when Brummel led the way in these matters, but we find that by the year 1820 buckskin had quite lost favour in fashionable hunting countries. They were considered "slow," and gave way to white corduroys. Then the cords had their day, and not for a number of years did leathers (which had never been entirely cast off in the provinces) come into wear again in Leicestershire. Their revival, however, proved a lasting one, and most people to-day are ready to admit that there is nothing like a good pair of leather breeches, tan, perhaps, being most in vogue at present. There is no doubt that for comfort and appearance, combined with hard wear, they are difficult to beat.

A School of Valeting Suggested.

But the same troubles that have rendered leathers unpopular in the past have not yet been overcome. We refer, of course, to the difficulty in getting them properly cleaned and their discomfort in wet weather. The latter, perhaps, can scarcely be avoided, but the first ought not to be an insuperable difficulty. How frequently one sees badly-cleaned leathers spoiling what could otherwise be termed a faultless costume. One's valet may be good and smart enough in the ordinary way, but nine times out of ten he breaks down at white buckskins, and turns them from their original appearance of driven snow to a muddy or bluish complexion, with the texture of cardboard. This really ought not to be so. In our opinion it is all a question of experience; if a valet starts with the wrong notions as to how to care for leathers he usually retains those notions for as long as he remains a valet. In the course of a conversation we had with Mr. Thomas on this subject recently, he gave us an idea which we think ought to be followed up. "Why not a school of valeting?" he said, and we agreed with him that it would be an excellent institution, and would save a great deal of disappointment to people who hunt. A diploma might be issued, and persons desirous of obtaining situations should be required to produce this, which would carry more weight than an ocean of references, often unreliable and given with the well-meant though misguided notion of "getting the poor chap another place." Mr. Thomas' suggestion certainly seems to offer a solution of the difficulty, and would obviate the precarious fashion in which the average valet acquires his experience. We are ourselves unable to say who would start such an institution, but once started we think it would be a success.

Moleskin and Cords.

In place of leathers the hunting-man of to-day has at his disposal a remarkably good substitute in the shape of white washing moleskin. This is deservedly a



Harrington's, Earl of.



Herefordshire, North.
(Dark green collar.
Evening dress for Here-
fordshire Hunt Club:
red, white satin facings,
dark green velvet collar,
white waistcoat.)



Herefordshire, South.
(Dark green velvet
collar.)



Hertfordshire (Silver).
(Evening dress: red,
red satin facings, white
waistcoat.)



Heythrop.
(Green plush coat with
red waistcoat for
servants.)



Holderness
(Evening dress: red,
red facings.)



Hursley (Silver)
(Black collar.)



Hurworth.



Kent, East.
(Buff cloth collar.
Evening dress: red,
buff silk collar, white
silk facings.)



Jed Forest.

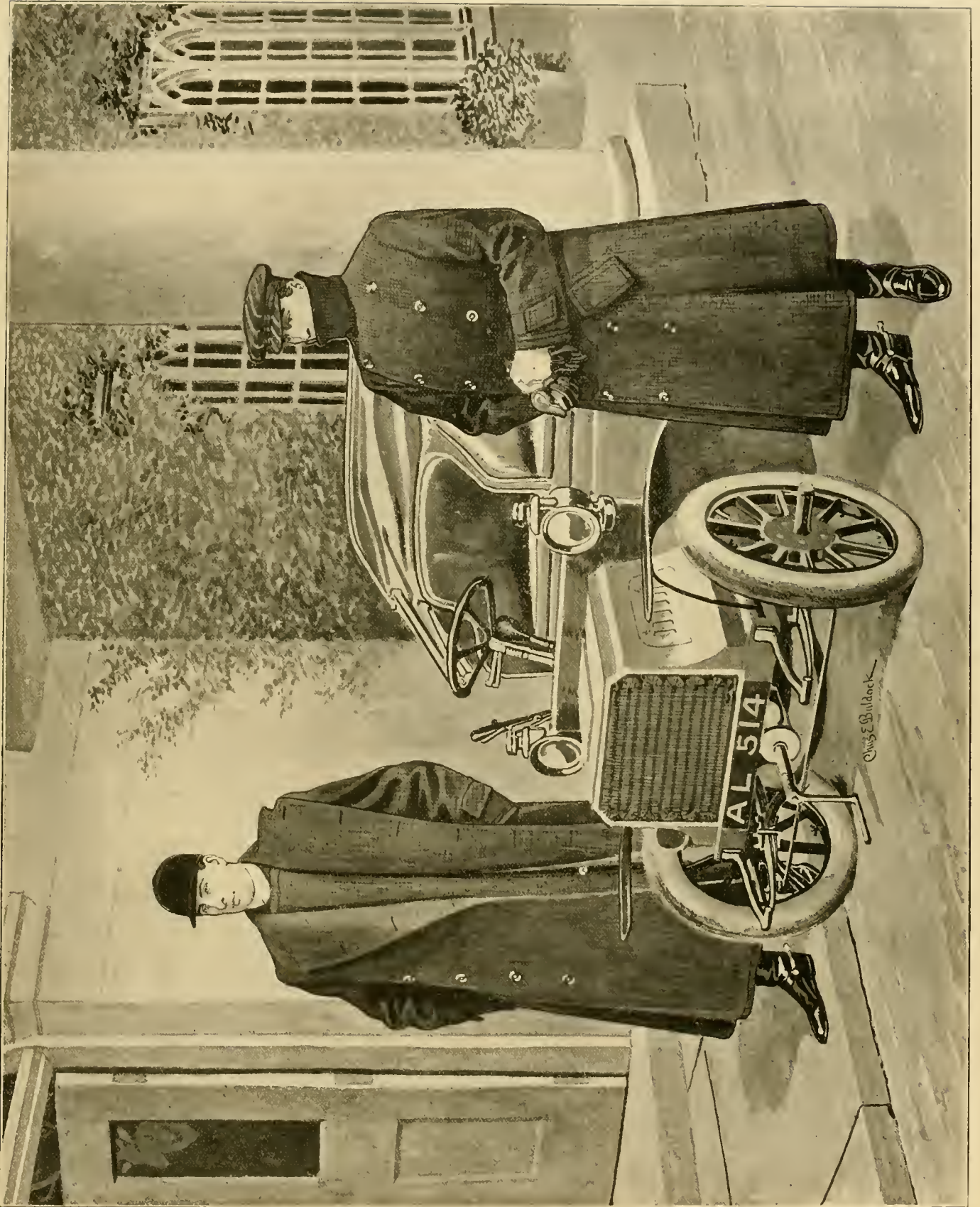
most popular material on account of its good wearing qualities, its smartness, and its easiness to clean. Messrs. THOMAS tell us that among their new materials this season they have a moleskin cloth which is more elastic and leathery in appearance than anything they have hitherto been able to obtain. Bedford cords are also much worn nowadays, and they want a lot of beating for bad weather. For years past the hunting man has agreed on plenty of fulness above the knee and a close fit below as the most comfortable style of breeches, though quite lately it has become customary to wear them smaller in the thighs, and closer just above the knees. There is a prevailing tendency among smart young men to wear the buttons of the breeches quite on the inside of the shin bone. Mr. Thomas says that from a practical point of view this is a mistake. It may have its advantages for polo in keeping the buttons out of the way, but it is difficult to make the thighs of breeches lie as well as when they are cut for the buttons to be worn in their usual place down the front of the leg.

Boots, Headgear, and other Details of Equipment.

Having provided himself with well-fitting breeches and the other hunting garments mentioned in this article, there still remain a few more items for the consideration of the young hunting-man. It is important for him to obtain boots in harmony with the rest of his attire, a suitable hunting hat, and a neat white stock that must be carefully tied, for hunting dress is a comparative failure unless perfectly finished in all details. With regard to boots, one has to record that the soft-legged variety are now distinctly the most fashionable, and one records it, too, rather with regret, for the soft boot provides nothing like the protection from kicks and hard knocks from swinging gates that the old stiff boot did, although they are distinctly more comfortable. The colour of tops nowadays is left entirely to individual fancy. One can run the gamut from white to pink and from lemon yellow to burnt sienna. The tall silk hat is now virtually the universal wear in well-dressed fields, the velvet cap, once widely popular with the average Nimrod, being left for the Master and hunt servant. The custom of the old fox-hunting squires who merely changed their boots for slippers and dined in the clothes in which they had been hunting may be said to have died with them, and nowadays the hunting man's kit is incomplete without an evening coat made in accordance with the rules laid down by the hunt of which he is a member. Every hunting club of any importance has its distinctive details as to evening dress, and full information concerning these are attached to the reproductions of hunt buttons appearing in the pages of the DIARY.

For Motoring to the Meet.

A covert coat—now seldom worn out of the saddle—must be found in the wardrobe of the well-equipped hunting man, who in the event of using a motor car as covert hack must also be provided with something substantial in the shape of a great coat. This requirement is met by the modern "Motocote," a happy combination of coat and apron, or by the Cuirass Coat, a new coat Mr. Thomas has designed for this purpose, and of which we give an illustration. It is so named from the speciality of its construction, which consists of a stout cloth flap, in the nature of a breast-plate, which is permanently attached to one side of the coat, and is fastened by tabs to the other side when the motorist puts it on. Over this the double-breasted front of the coat buttons, so that three interlocking layers of cloth are placed over the fore part of the body, making a completely wind-proof garment. The coat is not only waterproofed by a new metallic process, but has an additional interlining of impervious sheeting across the seat, thus avoiding the danger which arises when heavy rain creates pools on the cushions. Finally we have only to say that having completed his equipment the rest must be left to the Nimrod himself and his servants. One must obviously get well into one's clothes for them to be seen to the best advantage, and equally obvious is it that care must be taken with them when sport is over. Some advice that will prove useful on the care and folding and cleaning of hunting things will be found in succeeding articles.



THE CUIRASS COAT.

On the Care and Folding of Hunting Clothes.



Kent, West.

(Black velvet collar, with silver piping. Same on red evening dress coat, with white facings and silver buttons.)



Kildare.

(Evening dress: red, white facings.)



Kilkenny.

(Evening dress: red, cherry-coloured facings)



Lamerton.

(Dark green collar, Evening dress: red, dark green collar.)



Lanarkshire and Renfrewshire. (Silver.)

(Black velvet collar, Evening dress: red, red silk facings.)

MANY hunting men look untidy from the simple reason that their clothes are never properly put away after they are done with, or are left to the tender mercies of a valet who fancies he knows how to fold a coat or breeches properly, but really does not. The secret of the whole matter is, after all, contained in the old adage, "a place for everything, and everything in its place." A coat put away damp and badly folded will, on its next appearance from the wardrobe, be a mass of lasting creases and a source of discredit to the tailor, who is really not the culprit at all.

* * *

As a matter of fact, a coat should never be folded if it can be avoided, but should be placed across a shoulder and hung in a suitable cupboard or hanging wardrobe out of the dust. In this way, any coat out of a number can be easily recognised, and got at without tumbling or disturbing all the rest, the shoulders of the coat are by this means protected and no creases are formed. When a coat has to be folded for packing, it should be laid flat on a table, with the inside down and the collar turned up, the sleeves should then be brought up to the top of the collar to protect it, the fronts of the coat laid over the sleeves, the two sides folded together, and the coat afterwards doubled. If carefully laid out in this way the coat will travel without creasing unduly, and the slight creases can be easily removed by placing it on the back of a chair in front of a fire.

* * *

Waistcoats should be folded flat, and not placed under the coat on the hanger, but should have a drawer or drawers to themselves, and those most in use placed at the top. By this means the weight of one waistcoat above the other after a rest of a few days, will restore its primitive newness and keep them in good order.

* * *

Breeches should not be folded like trousers by placing the two front brace buttons together, as in that way an unsightly crease is formed down the front and the graceful round of the thigh flattened, but the right hand should hold them at the junction of the four seams in the fork, and with the left holding the breeches at the top of the seat seam, they should be folded with their fronts outward and laid flat in the drawer which is to contain them. For packing purposes each leg should be doubled under at the knee and the breeches placed as flat as possible in the trunk.

* * *

Trousers should be folded in the way described above by placing the two front brace buttons together and laying them flat in their old front and back creases, and they should never be doubled more than once. In this way they will regain their shape after a rest of a few days without the aid of trouser pressers or stretchers which frequently only pull the shape out which the tailor has carefully put into them.

* * *

The largest wardrobe can be easily managed and each article readily got at if arranged systematically in this way. The tie for each suit should be folded carefully and placed in an envelope in the breast pocket of the coat; this saves a lot of trouble in sorting out the right tie, and it is never left behind in travelling. It should be borne in mind that second-rate and ill-fitting clothes get out of condition quicker and more easily than the best class of garments, and owing to the lack of internal workmanship, they cannot be renovated in the same way.



" BUT HARK ! THAT'S A WHIMPER. HOW BUSY THEY BUSTLE ! "



THOMAS AND SONS'

"Breech-Nicks"

(Registered)

THE LATEST DEVELOPMENT IN

KNICKERBOCKER BREECHES

THE FEATURE in this Improved Cut of Knicker-Breeches is the dispensing of the seam under the knee sinews. In other respects they are the same type of garment for which THOMAS & SONS are renowned.



Hunting and Sporting Clothes

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION, IN EXCLUSIVE
STYLES & OF THE FINEST MANUFACTURE

Skeleton Continuation to Breeches

(Patent No. 38,870)

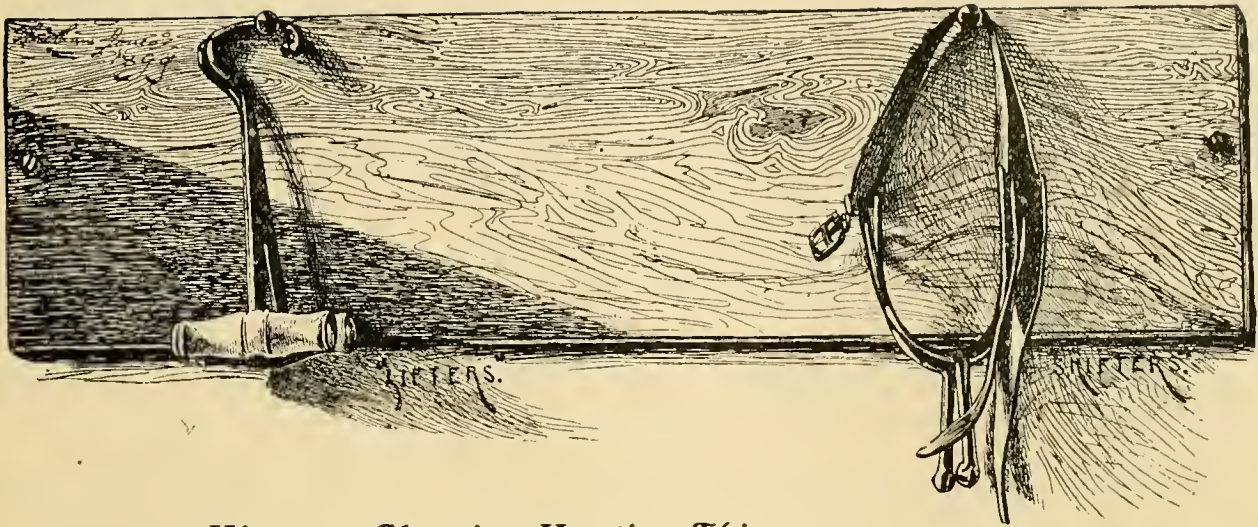
Gentlemen having large calves and small knee bones find it difficult to get Breeches to fit them nicely without the aid of Continuations, and as these help to fill up the boots, and to make the leg look clumsier still, this improvement has suggested itself to Messrs. THOMAS & SONS, who are always to the fore with improvements of practical utility to the Sportsman.



THOMAS & SONS, 32 Brook St., London, w.

Telephone No. 4652 Gerrard.

Telegraphic Address: "Sportingly, London."



Hints on Cleaning Hunting Things.

White Buckskin Breeches.

First, well sponge off the dirt from the soiled breeches, taking care not to make the leather too wet. Make a solution of Thomas & Sons' Nonpareil Breeches Paste with warm water to the consistency of cream, and apply it with a sponge to the leather, rubbing it well in. When this has been done put them in a warm room to dry, not too near the fire. Turn them inside out when quite dry and rub them well, using a stiff brush afterwards; this will make the leather nice and soft. After this apply another coat of Paste; and when dry rub with an old silk handkerchief lightly.

For White Cloth or Bedford Cord Breeches.

Lay the breeches on a clean board and well scour them with Curd Soap and lukewarm water, using a hard brush, and taking care to brush them down, and not up. After this they should be well sponged so as to get them as dry as possible to prevent shrinking. Dry them slowly before the fire, and when nearly dry, apply Thomas & Sons' Paste in the same way as for leathers.

White Moleskin or Canton Breeches.

Well wash with hot water, containing a little soda and good yellow soap, and rinse out in cold water with a dash of blue. If any obstinate stains remain they can be removed with a little chloride of lime, but great care should be taken in using this, otherwise the breeches may become rotten and drop into holes. Wring them as dry as possible (but not in a machine, as this will break the buttons at the knees, and the broken buttons cut holes in the breeches) and then place them outside to dry. When nearly dry iron them carefully.

Tweed or Cloth Breeches.

These should be well brushed, and the leather strappings cleaned with Thomas & Sons' Cleaning Powder, applied according to directions; or if strapped with cloth, "Quillia" will remove the stains.



Ledbury.

(Brown cloth collar.
Evening dress: red,
chocolate velvet collar,
straw silk facings.)



Limerick.

(Green collar. Evening
dress: red, green collar)



Linlithgow and
Stirlingshire.
(White collar.)



Llangibby.
(Green collar.)



Louth.
(French grey collar for ladies. Evening dress: red, French grey lining and facings, white waistcoat.)



Ludlow.



Meath.
(Evening dress: red, sky-blue silk facings.)



Meynell.



Scarlet Hunting Coats.

First, brush the coat thoroughly with a stiff brush, and if the skirts are lined with Thomas' Patent Waterproof Lining, sponge off the mud and sweat from the tails. Then with a stiff brush scour the parts stained with Thomas & Sons' Scarlet Cleansing Fluid until all the stains are removed, afterwards sponge off with clean cold water, and hang across the back of a chair or on a tailors' shoulder, a little distant from the fire to dry. Clean the buttons. Care should be taken not to use unreliable preparations for removing the stains as they may remove the dye as well, or otherwise injure the cloth. The coat should occasionally be sent to the tailor to be pressed up, as constant wetting tends to take the shape out of it.

Black or Grey Melton Hunting Coats.

Thoroughly remove the mud and dirt with a stiff brush, and if the skirts of the coat are lined with Thomas & Sons' Patent Waterproof Material, sponge the mud and sweat off the inside of the skirts. If the stains are not all removed in this way, mix a little ammonia with a small quantity of cold water, and with a stiff brush go over the coat lightly and place over the back of a chair to dry. If the rider should have the misfortune to get into a brook, the coat should be put into a tub of warm water and thoroughly washed and dried and afterwards sent to the tailor to be pressed.

Silk Hunting Hats.

If badly rubbed or soiled the hat should be washed with cold water, using a soft brush or sponge, but great care should be taken not to use too much water. When quite dry, well brush the hat and smooth with a silk handkerchief or pad, then carefully iron it, taking care not to touch the band or binding, and finish off with the silk handkerchief rubbed over the warm iron. If only slightly rubbed, well brush the hat and iron it as above.

The various preparations advertised for imparting a gloss should be avoided as they give a greasy appearance, to which dust readily clings, and quickly destroys the hat. All the implements should be thoroughly cleaned.

To Clean Boot Tops.

Wash the dirt well off, and remove any stains with a little oxalic acid on a piece of old cloth, taking care not to use it too strong. When dry, apply the powder sold by the leading top boot makers according to directions. Wrap the tops in paper put the boots on trees and rub them over with a piece of lemon; use the best blacking obtainable and plenty of "elbow grease" and a satisfactory result will be obtained. A good boning improves the surface of the leather. Patent leather boots should be put on the trees and the dirt sponged off; when dry an application of Meltonian Cream rubbed in with a piece of flannel and finished off with an old silk handkerchief will effect a good polish. When the boots fail to take a satisfactory polish under this treatment a good boot varnish should be used; but as all varnishes, which are composed more or less of spirits of wine, tend to destroy the leather they should be avoided as long as possible.

Brown Buckskin Breeches.

Sponge off the dirt with a little cold water, care being taken not to make the leather too wet. If there are any saddle or other stains remaining they can be removed with a weak solution of oxalic acid, rubbed in lightly with a piece of flannel. Then make a paste of Thomas & Sons' Cleansing Powder and apply it evenly all over the breeches. When dry, brush them well inside and out with a stiff brush so as to remove all the powder from the leather. If they do not give satisfaction repeat the process a second time. Brown buckskin gloves can be cleaned in the same way.

Box Cloth Leggings.

Well brush all the dirt off with a stiff brush and then scour with soap and water, brushing downwards. If stained use a little of Thomas' Sportsman's Cleaning Powder in the form of a paste and then let it dry on, and when thoroughly dry beat all the dust out with a stick or hard brush.

Pigskin Leggings.

Should be cleaned with saddle soap only, any stain used on these only cause a patchy appearance, and the nice nut brown shade should be acquired in a natural way by cleaning in the manner described.



Mid-Kent Staghounds.



Monmouthshire.
(Dark blue velvet collar.
Evening dress: dark
blue, black velvet collar,
cherry-coloured facings,
white waistcoat.)



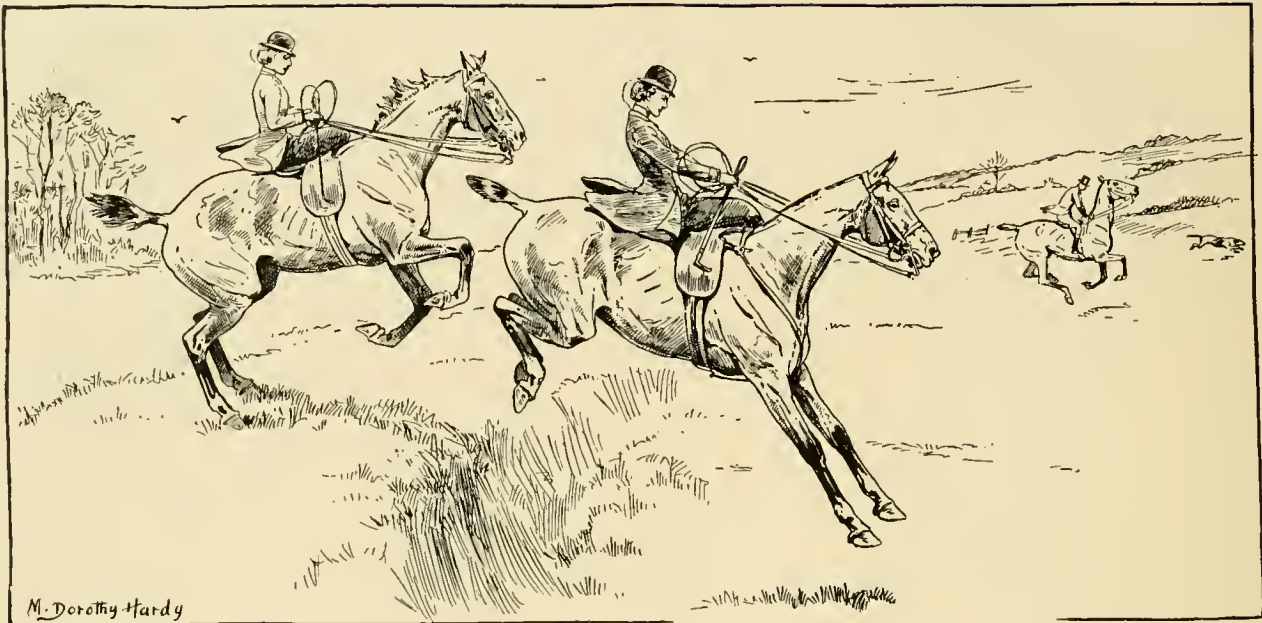
Morpeth.
(Evening dress: dark
blue coat, light blue
facings.)



Muskerry Hunt.
(Light blue cloth collar.
Evening dress: light
blue silk collar and
facings.)



New Forest.
(Green collar. Evening
dress: red, green velvet
collar, white facings and
waistcoat.)



"GOING THEIR OWN LINE."

Ladies in the Hunting Field.

(BY "QUORNITE.")

The Modern Hunting Lady.

THE position of ladies in the hunting field has altered considerably within the last 15 to 20 years, and, I think, for the better. They are now recognised as regular followers of the chase, ready to compete on an equal footing with the sterner sex, and in many cases are quite as competent to do so. They are capable of making their own arrangements, and when necessary, of choosing and buying their own horses. They can find their own way to covert, and finally, after having participated in the day's sport, back to their own homes, possibly by intricate bridle paths with endless gates to open. This the hunting lady of the present day can accomplish unaided. A few years back few ladies could get on to their horses without help, and now it is not a strange sight to see them get up unassisted. Some 30 or 40 years ago, at Melton, which is the acknowledged Metropolis of hunting, only one lady was ever known to follow the hounds after they had found their first fox; and nowadays—certainly in the Shires, and also in many Provincial countries in which I have hunted—there are as many women out as men.

Women Keener than Men.

In my opinion women as a whole are much fonder of hunting than men. This is perhaps because girls brought up in the country hear the sport more discussed than their brothers who are at school, and not being able to take part in football and other winter games their energy is in consequence more directed towards hunting. Certainly the majority of young girls ride much better than their brothers of about the same age.

Appearance in the Saddle.

A woman starting hunting has much to learn, however keen she may be about the sport. The first consideration is her appearance in the saddle. Let us see for a moment what this should be. As a woman, I maintain that however straight



Newmarket and
ThurLOW.



Norfolk, West.
(Evening dress: red,
white silk facings.)



Northumberland and
Berwickshire.
(Green collar. Evening
dress: red with prim-
rose facings.)

one may sit in the saddle, and with whatever ease and elegance one may surmount the obstacles, one of the chief considerations which go to promote happiness during the day's hunting of a grown-up woman is that her hair should remain tidy and firm. Many reading this may be inclined to assert that those who ride the best will be better able to maintain their neat appearance at the end of a day's hunting than those who, by bumping about in the saddle, naturally disarrange their coiffure, etc., and, not only that, distress their horse in like proportion.

Nerve without Judgment.

Most women are possessed of nerve, that most necessary adjunct for those about to compete in a day's hunting ; in fact, the majority have rather too much of it, without the necessary judgment or the knowledge of where to go and what to do. It is thus that they are, with very few exceptions, able to enjoy a day's hunting much more by following a good pilot than by going their own line. I am inclined to think that from the way a woman sits on her horse she is compelled to ride with a more or less long rein, and this may account to a great extent for the fact that women on an average take fewer falls than men. By riding with a long rein they do not interfere so much with their horse's mouth, or, as perhaps a man would consider, help their horse so much. There are very few women that can make a bad horse go, but there are many women that can let one go, or to put it in other words, by not interfering with him let him do his best.

Riding Behind a Pilot.

As I have already stated, a lady must select a pilot ; having done so, she must stick to him to the best of her ability. A woman should be so close to her pilot as not to leave room for someone else to cut in between him and her in following him over the obstacle, or for that matter, in galloping across a field. Nor should she be too close, as, in the event of his horse making a mistake, she is thus able to stop herself from jumping on him. Although it is very easy to put this down in print, in practice it is not so easy a matter, as if hounds are really running fast, and the whole field converge to one point, such as a gate or bridge, it becomes difficult for a woman to stick close behind her pilot in a crowd of people. If she is not close to her pilot when he gets started again she finds it very hard to make up lost ground.

Riding Ability

There is no doubt that most women cannot gallop as fast as men, and, in fact, many women cannot make a horse really gallop ; that is to say, the majority of ladies must ride a more or less temperate horse, and they cannot extend him. Were they to ride a free-going horse they would not be strong enough to control him. There are of course some exceptions to these remarks, as I know women who are capable of riding animals that many men would not get on with. Although women until lately were looked upon as merely an ornament to the hunting field, in many cases they know all there is to be known about a horse, and the sport in general ; and are, moreover, first-class judges of horseflesh. It would be quite impossible for me to enter into the subject of the horse suitable to every woman. Suffice it to say that shoulders are essential on account of the position of the side saddle, and equally a strong back, as all the weight of the rider is thrown back.

[EDITORIAL NOTE.—*The lady who prefers to veil her identity under the pseudonym "Quornite" is one of the best-known followers of hounds in the Shires. Her thorough experience of the best fox-hunting makes her opinions, as expressed in this brief but informative article, of exceptional interest and value. In another article the separate subject of "Ladies' Hunting Kit" is treated.*]



Oakley.
(Evening dress : red,
red facings.)



Ormond.
(Yellow waistcoat.
Evening dress : scarlet,
yellow collar and
facings.)



Oxenholme Staghounds.



Oxfordshire, South.
(Evening dress : red,
white facings.)



Pembrokeshire.
(Evening dress : dark
blue coat, dark red
facings.)

Ladies' Hunting Kit.

(BY MOIRA HEATH.)



Percy.

(Evening dress: red,
blue collar, buff
waistcoat.)Portman's, Viscount.
(Evening dress: plain
red.)

Puckeridge.



Pythchley.

(White collar. Evening
dress: red, white collar.)Quantock Staghounds.
(Silver.)**What Fashion Decrees.**

THE first unalterable dictate of the many which fashion levels upon our hunting habit is that of perfect cut. Fortunately, the rawest recruit has come to recognise this imperative essential in her equipment, and no scope is now-a-days allowed to the crank and the revolutionist. Fashion, so lenient of late years in many ways, would appear to have concentrated her severities upon the details which determine the perfectly turned out hunting woman. And the happiest result is a recognition of the false economies of the unpractised tailor. No better advice can be given to one preparing for the coming hunting season than to place herself without restriction in the hands of a first-class habit maker, who will be content enough to allow her scope for the exercise of individuality in the minor details of her outfit. This is made possible, because the modern tailor has been forced to recognise the importance of the subjection of uniform styles to individual requirements. He is able to determine at a glance the precise style best suited to the figure, but he can attain his end, this season, even with the most generous allowance for individual variations. The latter is possible, because all the severities of fashion are exhausted in the matter of cut and finish; the rest is but a matter of taste. And, therefore, this season it is predicted we are to expect many minor innovations, the chief of which may be summarised in the range of cloths to be used for habits, stripes and even checks being quite the vogue, the elaboration of the hunting waistcoat, and some prophets even aver in the shape of our hunting hats.

Habits of To-day.

No modern sportswoman would dream of riding out in anything but a safety skirt. A few of us have learnt from bitter experience the fallacious appellation ascribed to certain so-called "safety skirts." Some have greater possibilities of danger than even the all-round elastic strapped habit of old, and too much caution cannot therefore be recommended in the selection. Mr. A. O. Thomas, of the firm of Thomas & Sons, recognising the disadvantages of the abbreviated apron skirts off the saddle, is making them now with an extra piece of cloth, which can be easily unbuttoned when off the saddle, completely to unite the apron effect and form an altogether satisfactory walking skirt. Another style is cut with a saddle piece, which is held in place by a buttoned tab passed through the side seam when on the horse, and easily detached when dismounting to meet the front width and give the impression of an all-round skirt. Habit coats, though still worn long, are not so long or so exaggerated as those of last season. Long, graceful seams are the distinguishing features of this year's habits, the longer the effect given the better. Fashion seems to favour most the single-breasted coat, fastened with one or two buttons at the waist, emphasising the long graceful sweep of the revers, and showing a high-cut waistcoat. Those who are partial to the double-breasted effect can conform to this newer idea by having three buttons, set triangle way, suggesting both the double and single effect. Buttons are, in fact, a serious consideration of the new habit. They enhance the effect of the novel turned back sleeve cuff, cut away at the back to show two and sometimes even three buttons. These cuffs are a distinct improvement upon the old plain stitched sleeve, but they must be carefully rounded or pointed perfectly to match the collar and revers. Some tailors are attempting to attain the effect of graceful curves by introducing a roll-back collar and revers cut in one. The practical sportswoman will ignore this fashion and choose a collar which can be turned up if needed. A delightfully soft effect is attained by a velvet collar, and many of the newer models introduce the velvet.



"Fashion in everything bears sovereign sway."

New Notions for Hats and Waistcoats.

Our ideas regarding the correct head-dress to wear on horseback have been modified much of late. The comfortable and certainly becoming staff cap has even been pressed into service for ordinary riding, while, of course, abroad any form of sun helmet or panama is agreed to be permissible. Hard and fast rules have, however, always determined the style of hat allowed in the hunting field. A wild enthusiast, anxious to vary the monotony of the inevitable silk or bowler hat, prophesies a rival in the shape of the three-cornered hat, made in silk beaver and corded silk. These triangle hats are, in fact, being stocked by the most enterprising outfitters, but with the idea of conforming to the severity of the ordinary bowler hats, they have rather overdone the subjection of the new shape. The turn-up brims are stitched too tightly to the crown of the hat, whereas, if they were less confined, the hat would prove infinitely more becoming. Whatever can be said, the shape is pleasing and will be welcomed by many who have never altogether been reconciled to the trying severity of the ordinary hat. Every season increases the popularity of the bowler in preference to the high silk hat. Brown hats, the authorities declare, are this year to be first in favour, but only with a brown habit. The crowns are lower even than those of last season; the brims more straight and wide.

The most liberal license is granted by fashion in the matter of waistcoats. One, destined to be worn with a brown habit with a very indefinite hair check, was of cream oatmeal cloth darned or embroidered with brown, and an occasional thread of orange. Lemon, pink, grey, green, and black coarse thread is very prettily embroidered on these cloth waistcoats, which are invariably single-breasted, and worn with coats of either the tight or semi-fitting order. They agree very happily with the new cloths in dark grey herring-bone pattern, with the faintest stripe in blue, in brown with contrasting hair-thread stripes, and in green indefinitely checked in a darker shade.

A Matter of some Importance.

Ladies' wonder at the persistence of the tailors who advocate their patrons to adopt buckskin breeches. This is before they have become converted by means of the comfort and the ease assured to those who have been wise enough to follow the expert advice. Buckskin possesses the requisite elasticity and resists hard wear better than any other material, and, in addition, has the special advantages of warmth and comfort in wear. Unfortunately, they are more expensive than the usual cloth breeches, at least so far as the initial expense is concerned. Grey or brown buckskin are preferable, because they do not soil the saddle, but black breeches must be worn with a dark grey or black habit if the skirt is of the apron safety shape. Lacing down the knees has taken the place of buttons to the distinct advantage of the rider. Gloves and boots are items to be catalogued also among matters important, though it is surely hardly necessary to caution the serious hunting woman against the foolishness of wearing either boots or gloves that are at all tight. Perfect freedom for both hands and feet must be assured, and so far as the boots are concerned practicability must be the first consideration. Long walks across country are not altogether uncommon experiences, and the sportswoman choosing her boots should ever bear this in mind. In cold weather it is an excellent plan to wear above ordinary woollen stockings a pair of silk ones; boots should be wide enough and free enough to permit this. Nothing better than reindeer can be recommended in the particular of gloves, but this season more attention seems to have been given to hand-made gloves of tan cape skin. Every seam is stitched by hand and strengthened at the joints, and this particular kind of glove is made either with or without buttons. With the new turn-back habit cuffs the buttoned gloves are certainly best. Just a word about stocks. I came across an excellent one at Thomas's, the Nimrod Sporting Tie. It had a slip at the back for the usual celluloid, but it was partly made up with wide open ends, and which constitute its



Queen's Co.



Quorn.

(Evening dress: red,
light blue facings.)

Radnorshire and West
Herefordshire.

(The uniform of the newly-formed Hunt Club is a grey velvet collar, red coat and facings, white waistcoat, black knee breeches with silver buckles, the latter being optional. The Hunt button will be silver. Lady members of the Hunt Club will be entitled to wear the grey collar and silver buttons)



Rolle's, The Hon. Mark.

(Dark blue collar for
hunt servants only.
Evening dress: scarlet,
scarlet facings.)

Rothschild's, Lord.
Staghounds.



Rufford.
(Evening dress: red,
eau-de-nil facings.)



Sherbrooke's, Mr.
(Silver.)



Shropshire.
(Evening dress: red,
white facings.)



Sinnington.



Somerset, West.
(Black velvet collar,
Evening dress: red,
black cloth collar, red
silk facings.)

chief advantages over the old style with narrow ends. These stocks are made in suitable washing material, and the same tailor was making a speciality of a sporting shirt to match, intended to be worn under a covert coat.

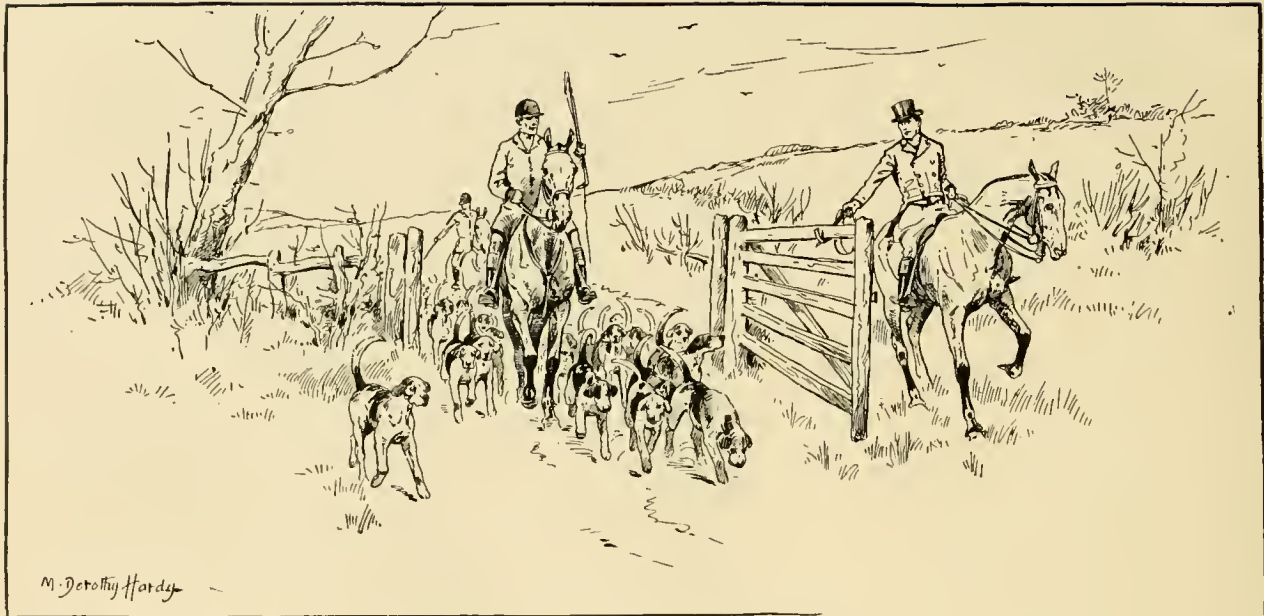
In Conclusion.

It used to be quite customary to carry, strapped to the saddle, a mackintosh cape or coat, but the improved methods of waterproofing which can be applied to all materials have now obviated this provision. All habit cloths can be waterproofed and the stuff of the covert coats, which never decline in favour, particularly for cubbing. This season's covert coats are single-breasted, semi-fitting, and always loose enough to allow them being worn over an ordinary habit coat. The motor has altogether revolutionised our notion of appropriate coats in which to drive to covert. Fur is much more used than it used to be in the days when everyone drove, and nowadays nearly everyone boasts a motor coat of some description. Long coats with deep roll collars of sable or astrachan, lined with gazelle, musquash or squirrel are undoubtedly the most handsome. One cannot do better, however, in the way of a really serviceable and wet weather coat than invest in one of Thomas & Sons' homespun "Connemara" coats. It is almost tight-fitting at the back, drawn into the figure at the sides with straps. The collar constitutes its chief charm. It can be worn in three distinct ways—as a Napoleon collar with double fastenings in front, turned entirely back to form a fashionable roll collar, or as a storm collar. Interlined to the waist with chamois, the collar and revers faced with suede, it constitutes an ideal coat for the purpose. The habit must, without a doubt, usurp the most serious attention, but this question of a suitable coat has almost equal rights to the consideration of the hunting woman.





YOUTH WILL BE SERVED.



ONE OF THE AMENITIES OF THE HUNTING FIELD.

Hints for the Hunting Field.

By W. H. A. WHARTON (MASTER OF THE CLEVELAND).



Southdown.
(Evening dress: plain
red.)

When you arrive at the Meet do not go among the hounds unless you are sure your horse will not kick them. If your horse is quiet and does not kick hounds, go and talk to the Huntsman until the Master arrives.

On riding in among the hounds drop your thong in front of your horse, so as to make hounds move out of your way, and thereby avoid the danger of treading on them.



Southwold.
(Evening dress: white
silk facings.)

On the arrival of the Master, immediately move away, as he will require some private conversation with his Huntsman both about the hounds and the arrangements for the day's sport.

If your horse is not used to hounds do not go among them, but keep riding him round them a few times to let him get used to them, taking care that no hound comes away from the pack to smell at his heels.

At the Meet get all your "coffee-housing" with your friends over, so that when at the covert side you may give your undivided attention to what hounds are doing.

If your horse kicks other horses tie a red ribbon in his tail; but do not do this to prevent being crushed at a gate, as many people do.



Staffordshire, North.
(Evening dress: red,
red silk facings.)

On moving away from the Meet to draw the first covert, do not ride close to the hounds down a road, but let there be a good space between you and the Second Whip, so that if hounds wish to stop you are not on them without being able to pull up. At all times on a road let there be a space between you and the Whip.

On arriving at the covert, if it is a gorse, the field should remain quietly together in the place indicated by the Master, and not roam about and head the fox.

On hounds breaking covert, do not be too eager to press them at the start, but give them time to get together and settle to their fox. If there is a good scent and they get settled down with a good head in the first field, you may do your best to live with them; remembering then to save your horse all you can as you do not know how long the run may be and what you may require of your horse.

Always, as far as possible, get the soundest going; and if you are riding over a ploughed field get into the wettest furrow you can find, as this is always the soundest part of that field. Should you have to ride across the furrows, take an extra pull at your horse.

If, however, the scent is indifferent, keep some distance off hounds, and ride on one side or other of them, and not directly in their wake.

Should they carry a line through a fence, do not gallop off and jump the fence at once, but see hounds have the line well into the next field, as very often the fox will have turned up under the fence, and you may jump into the middle of hounds before you are aware of the mischief you are doing.

Take note of everything going on in the way of sheep being huddled together, crows swirling round and swooping—which they will do over a beaten fox—and anything that may have caused the fox to alter his course.

If a man tells you the fox has not gone that way, you may give the Huntsman this information for what it is worth; but he will doubtless make good his cast, thinking the fox is more likely to have seen the man than the man the fox, as he will have seen the Hunt coming on, and be looking at *that* rather than *for* the fox.

Should the covert be a large wood, you may have more latitude as to where to go, but do not ride on ahead of the Huntsman when drawing, as this makes hounds string on and not draw the wood thoroughly.

At a check *stand still and do not follow the Huntsman round when making his cast*, as if for some reason—such as a bit of bad scenting ground, cattle foiling the ground, etc.—he does not hit his fox off and he wants to make a wider cast round the field by moving about, will cause him to have to cover so much more ground, by which means much valuable time will be lost.

When hounds are either casting themselves or being cast, always turn your horse's head *in the direction they are going*. Never look them in the face, unless you wish to stop them either from running heel or riot.

Always make way for hounds. If they are coming down a road, the field should all get to the same side of the road, thus leaving a clear passage for hounds down the other.

Always drop your thong when hounds are passing you, so as to keep them off your horse's heels.

Should you see the Huntsman coming up to a gate, *if your horse is quiet and will not kick hounds*, get to it quietly and hold it open for him and his hounds.

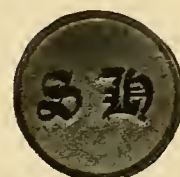
Always make way for a Hunt-servant, remembering it is his duty to be with his hounds.

Do not go on and gossip with a Whipper-in when he goes on to the end of covert, but remember that by so doing you may head the fox, or, if it is over a ride, you may distract his attention and he may miss viewing the fox over.

Should there be a holloa and none of the Hunt-servants are on the spot, you may go and see what it is, but be sure you get the following facts perfectly clear from the person who holloaed before going to tell the Huntsman: the *exact* place where the fox was seen, how long a time has elapsed since he was at that spot, from which direction he was coming, and which way his head was pointing when last seen.



Staffordshire, South.
(Maroon velvet collar.
Evening dress: red,
crimson velvet collar,
canary facings.)



Suffolk.
(Evening dress: red,
white facings.)



Surrey Staghounds.



Surrey, Old.
(Green collar. Evening
dress: red, green collar.)



Surrey Union.
(Brimstone yellow
collar. Evening dress:
red, white silk facings.)



Sussex, East.
(Evening dress : red,
white silk lining and
facings, white
waistcoat.)



Tarporley Hunt Club.
(Green collar.)



Taunton Vale.
(Evening dress : red,
white facings.)



Tedworth.
(Evening dress : red,
white facings.)



Tickham.
(Evening dress : plain
red.)

A man will often tell you a fox went so and so, but if you spend a few minutes in cross-questioning him you will generally find he *thought he was going there*, so that a minute or two longer to get at the truth is often the saving of a lot of time. Having got this information give it to the Huntsman *accurately*, and do not surmise where the fox has gone.

Avoid doing unnecessary damage to land, fences, or gates.

Unless hounds are running very hard do not ride over wheat, seeds, or turnips, but remember that of the three *wheat suffers least*.

Always look on farmers as the best friends to Fox-hunting, and study their interests as if they were your own.

Never jump a fence if you can get through a gate, for two reasons : a big jump takes a quarter of a mile out of a horse, and if it is a small fence others will follow your bad example and the farmer's fence will soon be broken down.

Learn to open a gate quickly with *either* hand, and hold it open for a Hunt-servant.

Should there be stock in the fields, shut the gates, if hounds are not running hard, as much time and expense is saved farmers by not having to go and sort their cattle after hounds have been out. If you go to the Meet by a bridle-road be careful to shut the gates after you.

Should you know where hounds are going to draw, do not go and wait for them *at* the covert, but go to the Meet. If, however, you have not time to get there, *i.e.* if you are detained by business, do not go within three fields of the covert till hounds arrive.

Should hounds run through private grounds do not ride over the mown turf, but keep to the roads.

When hounds are breaking up their fox do not crowd in on them. By standing some distance off you can see them break up their fox better, and you do not then run the risk of kicking them.

Some horses, though quite quiet with hounds ordinarily, when they smell blood are frightened, and will let out at anything that comes near them.

When hounds have killed or run to ground, always be ready to hold any of the Hunt-servants' horses.

Ever be ready to help Hunt-servants, not impede them, at all times in the day.

If you are in an open country do not holloa when you see a fox, but hold up your hat. A holloa is very likely to get hounds' heads up, which is much easier done than getting them down again.

Unless you are quite certain you know a hunted fox, it is wiser not to interfere with hounds and Huntsman if they can own a line.

A fox will get his tongue out before he has gone 200 yards very often, but a fox who has his back arched like a railway bridge is the hunted fox, and he generally has his mouth shut tight.

If a beaten fox sees you before you see him it is wonderful what a spurt he will make, and will often deceive even those who think they know a hunted fox.

THE HUNTS OF THE WORLD.

[HINTS AND INFORMATION FOR HUNTING MEN IN SEARCH OF SPORT ABROAD.]

ALTHOUGH every sportsman knows that sport with hounds is by no means confined to the United Kingdom, we imagine that but a very hazy idea is possessed by most people of the great amount of hunting that can be obtained outside these isles. It must be confessed that we ourselves have been somewhat surprised during the work of making this compilation, for the number of recognised Hunts which exist in all parts of the world has quite exceeded our expectations. THOMAS'S HUNTING DIARY, we believe, has broken entirely new ground in presenting this list and description of foreign and colonial hunts. When a sportsman leaves England for the purposes of business, pleasure, or health, he is naturally eager to know something about the possibilities of sport in the country he is about to visit. While he can generally manage to pick up some information regarding the shooting or fishing, he usually leaves England quite in the dark so far as the chances of hunting are concerned. It is precisely this lack of knowledge which we have endeavoured to remedy. Even though the readers of this DIARY may not have in contemplation a visit to the countries dealt with, we think they will find the particulars of foreign packs not altogether uninteresting. May we be allowed to assert that the "Hunts of the World" is a feature which, regarded as a whole, shows better than any other compilation that has ever been attempted, the cosmopolitanism of hunting? Certainly it proves most emphatically that there are few corners of the world in which the enthusiasm for the chase does not prevail. Justly enough we regard England and Ireland as the home of foxhunting, and in no other clime can the sport be enjoyed under more favourable conditions; but our list is ample evidence of the fact that while hunting material abroad may be scarce, and in character a long way inferior to our English foxes, yet the love for horse and hound rides paramount over all difficulties, asserting itself in widely-differing and most unexpected quarters. We are prepared for the criticism that the list is not complete, that it is disjointed, and gives more details concerning one country than another. But we would urge in extenuation the enormous difficulties that have to be overcome in getting together the necessary facts and particulars when the area covered practically embraces the whole world. What success we have made in drawing up the table could not have been achieved without the cordial co-operation of sportsmen in all parts of the globe, and to our numerous correspondents we owe a debt of gratitude for their great kindness in supplying us with many of the particulars set forth in the following pages. We would add that any corrections or additions to the list of recognised foreign or colonial packs will be received with equal appreciation.

As being nearest home, we begin the compilation with a brief notice of hunting on the Continent.

FRANCE.

How many recognised packs of hounds would the reader suppose exist in France at the present time? We should expect some curiously varying answers to this query, but we may state at once that in a recent edition of Comte le Couteulx de Canteleu's work, "Manuel de Vénérerie Française," the names are given of 326 owners of hunts or hunting establishments. Virtually all the packs are privately owned, and the fields consist of persons invited by the masters whenever they go out. Some of the larger hunts keep as many as 50 or 60 couples, while in a great many of the smaller kennels there are only five or 10 couples. In addition to the master the number of mounted men or hunt servants attached to the pack is usually two, but a few of the biggest establishments have two or three whippers-in as well as the piquet or huntsman. Some of the packs frequently hunt hare, stag, and



Tipperary.
(White satin collar with fox on one side. Evening dress: red coat, fox on one side of collar, and white satin knee breeches.)



Tiverton.
(Evening dress: red, white facings.)



Tivyside.
(Evening dress: blue coat, black velvet collar, white facings and waistcoat.)



Tredegar's, Lord.
(Evening dress: red, white silk facings, white waistcoat, black wood hunt buttons.)



Tynedale.
(Dark green velvet collar Evening dress: red, dark green velvet collar, red silk facings.)



United Pack.
(Green coat.)



United Hunt Club
(Ireland).
(Evening dress: red,
green facings.)



V.W.H. (Cirencester).
(Evening dress: red,
white facings.)



V.W.H. (Cricklade).
(Evening dress: red,
red velvet collar.)



Vine.
(Evening dress: red,
white lacings, black
collar embroidered with
a vine leaf.)

fox on alternate days ; but there are 23 packs devoting themselves solely to the roe, 22 to the stag, and 18 to the boar. The hare is hunted by 41 packs, there is one pack of otter hounds, and a fair proportion of the packs include foxes among the animals they sometimes hunt. But foxhunting does not find much favour in France, mainly because the country is unsuitable, and earth-stopping is practically impossible. The best stag-hunting in France is obtained in the great Forest of Rambouillet, where half-a-dozen noted packs are hunting from October to April. The foremost of these hunts is that maintained by the Duchesse d'Uzes, a veteran sportswoman, whose hunting seat of Cernay-la-Ville is on the edge of the forest. She has a wonderful stable of hunters, and a grand pack of staghounds. There is not much jumping, but it needs a hard rider and first-class horse to live with the Duchesse's flying hounds.

On English Lines.

There are two packs in France conducted on English lines, and one is very popular with English and American visitors, namely, the Pau Hounds, of whose establishment we are able to give the following particulars :—

PAU HOUNDS (60 couples).—Hunting days, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

JOINT MASTERS : Mr. C. H. Ridgway, Villa, St. Helene, Pau ; and Mr. J. H. Wright, Villa des Lauriers, Pau.

SECRETARY : Mr. Joseph Barron, English Club, Pau.

HUNTSMAN : W. Smethurst.

WHIPS : A. Wilkins, T. Adye.

KENNELS : Morlaas, France.

CONVENIENT CENTRES : Pau, Tarbes, Lescar, Lourdes.

The foxes hunted by these hounds are wild. They are mostly caught by the peasants in the mountain districts, to which they nearly always make a bee-line when liberated, and with hounds at their brush they afford really fine sport. They are kept in confinement for as brief a space as is possible, and give the pack plenty of work to catch them. Last season in their first forty-three days the hounds had sixty-eight runs, and the average time of each was forty-five minutes. Writing recently on the Pau Hounds, a well-known Irish sportsman and ex-Master of Hounds asked where, on the whole, could better sport be obtained out of England than at Pau? He pointed out the advantages of the most comfortable, well-managed English club, with golf, tennis, and the kindred sports of the best in full swing. Also mentioned was the beautiful life-giving air of the Pyrenees, and last, but not least, the most hospitable social society on the Continent. The foxhounds consist principally of drafts from the Pytchley, the Essex Union, and other English packs, with a few that have been bred at the kennels. The Hunt horses are an eminently workmanlike lot, supplied by Mr. J. H. Stokes, the famous Leicestershire dealer. For the drag, which is run twice a week, six couples of fast draghounds are specially kept. The visitor's wants, so far as horses are concerned, are fairly well catered for, though in the height of the season the demand exceeds the supply. From Lanigan's, Matthews, and others excellent hirelings are to be obtained, at a cost of fifty francs a day.

The Biarritz-Bayonne Hounds are a well-established pack, which follow closely on the lines of the Pau, though they have a somewhat more difficult country to hunt, in that it carries less scent as a rule. Foxes are hunted on two days a week, and on a third there is a drag-hunt, which is held in much favour by hard riders of Bayonne and Biarritz. The particulars of this sporting establishment are as follows :—

BIARRITZ-BAYONNE HOUNDS (30 couples).—Hunting days, Tuesdays and Saturdays (for foxes) ; Thursdays (drag).

MASTER : Comte Louis de Goutant Biron, Chateau de Belle Fontaine, Biarritz.

FIELD MASTER : Mr. Joseph Dubrocq.

HUNTSMAN : Jules Bonnefon.

WHIPS : Henri Burguès and M. Jacques Leichman.

KENNELS : Bayonne Road, Biarritz.

CONVENIENT CENTRES : Biarritz, Bayonne.

BELGIUM.

In this country a pack of draghounds is now to be found under the mastership of Mr. Walter Winans, whose name is so well-known in the world of sport. Mr. Winans makes his season the months of August and September, and his headquarters are the Hotel Britannique, at Spa. It is the name of this Belgian resort which gives its title to the hunt. Mr. F. Vivian Gooch carries the horn, while Mr. F. L. Prentice is the Whipper-in. Hounds are kennelled at Solwaster, and the hunting days are Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.



Ward Union
Stagghounds.

GERMANY.

The chief packs of hounds in Germany are the Royal Hounds, at Potsdam, and the Hanover Hounds. They both hunt the drag and boars which are enlarged. Another important pack is that kennelled near Paderborn. These also hunt enlarged boars, and are kept up for the most part, we believe, by Government money. They are hunted by the 8th Hussars, and are perhaps the finest hounds in Germany. The Bremen Draghounds are practically the only private pack of any importance in Germany. Draghounds are also kept in Brandenburg and in Frankfurt on the Oder. In Pommern is kept a small pack of harriers, and in Mecklenburgh a similar pack. Some thirty regiments in different parts of the country keep from four to eight couples of hounds, but regular foxhunting establishments, such as we have in these isles, are unknown in Germany. Writing on the Royal Hounds in the *Badminton Magazine* recently, Mr. J. L. Bashford said:—"The pack is, strictly speaking, kept for the benefit of the officers of the garrisons in and around Berlin and Potsdam; but seven-eighths of those who ride to hounds look upon the hunting more as part of their military duty than as sport. A few strangers are permitted to ride with the field if they belong to what is called 'Court society'—that is to say, if they have been presented at Court. The prevailing regulations are obviously not conducive to the interests of sport, because the better type of general society is thereby excluded. Prince Carl died in 1882, and Prince William succeeded him as 'Protector' of the hunt, which title His Majesty still retains. Graf Wilhelm Hohenau, who is a very eager rider, has fulfilled the functions of Master since 1893."



Warnham Stagghounds.



Warwickshire.
(Black velvet collar.
Evening dress: red,
red facings, white waist-
coat.)



Warwickshire, North.
(Evening dress: red,
red silk facings, white
waistcoat.)

AUSTRIA AND HUNGARY.

The conditions of hunting in Austria and Hungary are much better than those prevailing in Germany. The chief pack, and one conducted very near to English principles, usually being hunted by a huntsman and whippers-in from this country, is that kennelled at Buda-Pesth. Particulars are appended:—

ROYAL BUDA-PESTH HOUNDS (60 couples).—Hunting days, 6 a week.

MASTER: Prince Egon Max Taxis, Vienna. (Hunting Box, St. Lorincz, near Buda-Pesth.)

HUNTSMAN: Bert Thatcher.

WHIPS: W. Machin, T. Levitt.

KENNELS: St. Lorincz, near Buda-Pesth, Hungary.

CONVENIENT CENTRE: Buda-Pesth.



Waterford.
(Evening dress: scarlet,
white facings.)



Western.

The wide district hunted by the Buda-Pesth, one of the very few packs of foxhounds on the Continent, has been described as a good wild hunting country, full of foxes, and holding a good scent, but not a sporting country according to our English notions, owing, in a great part, to the absence of fences, which often leads to the over-riding of hounds. Jack Bevans, who for a short time assisted Jack Carter on the hunt staff of the Buda-Pesth Hounds, in his "Reminiscences of a First Whipper-in" (so well compiled by Mr. Richard Ord), says: "Sometimes there



Westmeath.

(Black collar for Master and hunt servants.
Evening dress: red, black collar, white poplin facings.)



Wexford.

(Black velvet collar.
Evening dress: red, black velvet collar, yellow facings)



Whaddon Chase.

(Dark red velvet collar.
Evening dress: red, white facings.)



Wheatland.

(Evening dress: scarlet, pale yellow facings, black velvet collar.)



Wilton.

(Dark blue Melton cloth waistcoat. Evening dress: red, silk facings.)

were as many as fifteen foxes in a covert, generally a bog or reed-bed. We didn't holloa foxes away in that country, where they were so numerous, but let hounds hunt their own fox, keeping the pack, of course, as much together as possible. There were capital fields as a rule out—200 to 300 horsemen in scarlet when the Emperor and Empress were out, and several ladies." Bevan refers here to the late Empress of Austria, who did so much for hunting in Austria-Hungary, and was so well-known and popular in this country. "We had," continues the old whipper-in, "excellent sport and capital runs from reed-beds, etc., but there were no fences, perhaps an open ditch occasionally, and a bit of timber with luck. There were no natural fences, and all you wanted was a horse that could gallop a bit." According to our information concerning the present condition of hunting with the Buda-Pesth Hounds it is practically the same as in the days which Bevan describes. Prince Taxis has only this season succeeded Count Nadasky as Master, whilst Bert Thatcher from the Waterford, in Ireland, has taken the place of Charles Carter as huntsman. Prince Taxis has built new kennels at St. Lorincz, and much strengthened the pack by purchasing hounds from Mr. Peter Ormrod, the Waterford, and Lord Fitzwilliam.

There is a pack kennelled at Martonvaser, which has an English huntsman in Tom Hutchinson, and is a private one belonging to Mr. Anton Dreher, of Steinbuck, Buda-Pesth. Both fox and hare are hunted, 30 couples of foxhounds being maintained, and 34½ couples of harriers. They hunt six days a week over a very open country where there is no wire, and both foxes and hares are plentiful. The kennels are at Tordas, near Martonvaser, and Tom Hutchinson has the assistance of Harry Hopkins and J. Cuner as whippers-in.

Count Andrassy's Hounds.

Count Géza Andrassy, a keen sportsman, hunts two packs of foxhounds (Parno-Terebes). Hounds were first imported from England, but under the kennel management of Madden, Wheatley, and the present huntsman, Wallby, they have been mostly bred at home. They hunt six days a week, and their followers often enjoy runs lasting from an hour to an hour-and-a-half. It is not always an easy matter to live with the pack, for the going as a rule is very deep, and the fences and "Irish banks" require some getting over. Foxes are well preserved in the country, and have here a peculiar liking for climbing trees, many a good run emanating from a "treed" fox. The hunt uniform is pink, with black facings.

Among other Austro-Hungarian packs must be mentioned the Mándok—very fast harriers, which hunt a hilly and sandy country. They are under the mastery of Count Forgách. Then the Csörgö Beagles show sport with very fast hares over a flat country. The master is Baron Béla Sennyey, and the regulation dress is green, with gold buttons. The Somogy-vár Draghounds provide many a good gallop to sportsmen in South Hungary, under the leadership of Count Imre Széchenyi, whilst in Transylvania Baron Wesselényi shows sport with both foxhounds and harriers. This is a subscription hunt, and hounds cover a very difficult undulating country. The orthodox dark green is generally worn by their followers.

ITALY.

World renowned are the Roman Foxhounds in this country, the full title of the Hunt being the Societa Romana della Caccia alla Volpe. The establishment is as follows :—

ROMAN HOUNDS (35 couples).—Hunting days, Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Marquis di Roccagiovine, Villa Bonaparte, Rome.

SECRETARY: Cavaliere Pio Cartocci, 4, Via Lodovisi, Rome.

HUNTSMAN: Mr. D. Moriconi.

WHIPS: Saverio Lispi, Vittorio Amidei.

KENNELS: Villa Tor Fiorenza, Via Salaria.

CONVENIENT CENTRE: Rome.

Except for a short interval half a century ago when, after a fatal accident to an Englishman, who came to grief over a big rail, Pius IX. placed a papal interdict upon the sport, on the ground of its risks to life and limb, foxhunting has flourished on the Roman Campagna ever since its introduction there by the late Lord Chesterfield in 1842. There is not a pack on the Continent which draws together a larger or more cosmopolitan field during the season proper, lasting from the second week in November till the second week in March, nor is there a pack in the world that can boast of such a grand and poetical environment. Yet it is this very environment, perhaps, which constitutes the chief drawback from a hunting point of view. The crumbling ruins of the long-dead Empire, the deep catacombs and long subterranean passages which undermine some parts of the Campagna and afford secure retreat for the numerous foxes that abound there, the gigantic marble aqueducts that for more than twenty centuries have conveyed water to the Eternal City and traverse this classic plain in many directions, are things the fox-hunter might to a great extent prefer to do without.

However, in spite of the utter impossibility of effectually stopping the country and the generally insuperable difficulties which the terriers have to contend with in the attempt to bolt foxes which have gone to ground, the Marquis of Roccagiovine and his trusty huntsman, Mr. D. Moriconi, manage to show their followers really good sport; indeed, although it may not compare with that of our Shires, no English visitor who has ridden to hounds over the Campagna, where hard frosts are unknown and you are practically all the time on grass, has come away without a good word for it and the keen sportsmen who keep the game going so well season after season.

One peculiarity of the country will strike the new arrival from these isles. Not a single hedge is to be met with on this vast undulating plain. And there are no brooks. Somewhat stiff timber (*staccionate*) and fairly easily negotiable stone walls are the rule, and—thanks be!—barbed wire, which has become such an intolerable nuisance in many places here at home, is the exception. A good horse with pace and stamina, and one that tucks his hind legs well under him in his “leaps,” is essential to the full enjoyment of the sport, and you will find most of the field well-mounted on horses that have come from England or Ireland, though it invariably takes them some months to get used to the climate; likewise to the *staccionate*. The hounds are also imported from this country. Breeding them was tried, but the experiment did not prove entirely successful.

SPAIN.

In the vicinity of Gibraltar are hunted the well-known Calpé Hounds. Formerly they were maintained by the garrison, but financial reasons led to this arrangement being ended, and since 1894 the hounds have been hunted by Mr. Pablo Larios, a very keen and very popular sportsman. He received his education at an English public school, and is a cousin of the Marquis de Larios, who keeps a pack of harriers at Madrid. The Larios family possess thousands of acres of landed property in the neighbourhood of Malaga and Gibraltar, and consequently differences between farmers and foxhunters are practically non-existent in this quarter. Most of the foxes are killed on the Master's land, and the tenant-farmers are always glad to welcome the hounds. The details of the Calpé establishment are appended:—

CALPÉ HOUNDS (45 couples).—Hunting days, three a week.

MASTER: Mr. P. Larios, Connaught House, Gibraltar.

SECRETARY: Major C. Logan, Lancashire Fusiliers, Gibraltar.

HUNTSMAN: The Master.

WHIPS: Mr. C. Larios, F. Powell, K.H.

KENNELS: North Front, Gibraltar.

CONVENIENT CENTRE: Gibraltar.



Wilts, South and West.

(Evening dress: red, white silk collar and facings.)



Worcestershire.

(Blue collar for Master and hunt servants. Evening dress: red, light blue facings.)



Worcester Hunt Club, as distinctive from the Worcester Hunt.

(Collar for Master and servants, blue. Evening dress: scarlet, light blue facings and linings.)



Wynn's, Sir Watkin William.

(Evening dress: scarlet, cream-coloured facings.)

AMERICA.



Yarborough's, Earl of.
(Evening dress: red, red
facings, white waistcoat)



York and Ainsty.
(Evening dress: red,
red silk facings, white
waistcoat.)



Zetland's, Marquis of
(Evening dress: black
velvet collar with
badges.)

The development of hunting in the United States has been rapid, and it has been predicted with some confidence that a century from now the sport will be as popular as it is in the British Isles at the present time, especially in the States which have somewhat open winters. In the vicinity of most of the large inland cities, such as Buffalo, Detroit, Cleveland, Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Louis, and St. Paul there is country adapted to hounds and hunting, and there is wealth in those cities which will eventually lead to the sport being taken up in a thorough manner. Since the Queen's County Pack, established by Mr. F. Gray Griswold, and the Genesee Valley Hounds, established by Mr. W. Austin Wadsworth, about thirty years ago, many prominent hunts have been organised, and are now regularly hunting their respective countries under more or less flourishing conditions. Among the best packs are the Meadowbrook Hunt on Long Island, the Radnor Hunt near Philadelphia, the Myopia Hunt near Boston, the Rose Tree Hunt near Philadelphia, the Elkridge Hunt near Baltimore, the Chevy Chase at Washington, the Middlesex Hunt near Lincoln, and the Essex, Grafton, Green Spring Valley, and Orange County Hunts.

Beside these Mr. Collier's Monmouth County Hounds and Mr. C. E. Mather's splendid private pack of partially Belvoir-bred hounds (which he maintains at great expense for a few weeks' hunting every year, according to the weather), and Mr. Thomas Hitchcock's American hounds are hunted more or less regularly and show first-rate sport. Hunting with hounds not kennelled or trained to hunt in packs is still pursued in the Southern States, where the practice has survived from the old Colonial days, the sport being found primarily in the working of the hounds, and there is little or no jumping. But elsewhere in America the majority of packs are regularly-organised draghounds or foxhounds. In draghunting at Meadowbrook and other places the sport consists wholly of riding across a line of country with plenty of good-sized jumps and at a smart pace; whereas the hounds of the Radnor and other foxhunting clubs hunt wild foxes, and show such sport as would not disgrace some of the less-fashionable hunting districts in England. With most packs wire has been found a very great nuisance in America, but farmers are beginning to view hunting more favourably than they did at first, and the outlook is considerably brighter. The ruling body is the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association, and that institution has recognised the following hunt clubs for 1905. The oldest organised hunt in the U.S. is the Rose Tree.

Name of Hunt.	Post Office Address.	Location of Country Hunted.	Season.	Master.
F Blue Ridge (5 couples)...	Millwood, Va.....	Clarke Co., Shenandoah River to the Opequon River	Oct. 1 to April 15	Edward G. Butler.
Berkshire (12½ couples)	Lennox, Mass.	Within 15 or 20 miles of Lennox	Sept. 1 to Nov. 1	Clinton G. Gilmore.
F Brandywine (42 couples)	West Chester, Pa.....	Chester and Delaware Counties, Pa.	Oct. 1 to March 15	Charles E. Mather, 226, Walnut St., Phila., Pa.
D & F Cameron Run (10½ couples).....	Alexandra, Va.	Fairfax and Alexandria Counties, Va.....	Nov. 1 to April 15	Courtdant H. Smith.
F Chester Valley (20 couples)	Berwyn Chester Co., Pa....	Chester Valley, Pa.	Nov. 22 to March 17	R. Penn Smith.
D Chevy Chase (12 couples)	Chevy Chase, Md.	District of Columbia and Montgomery Co., Md. ...	Nov. 15 to April 15	Clarence Moore; Gist Blair, Dep. Master.
D & F Deep Run (15 couples)...	Richmond, Va.	Near Richmond, Va.	Nov. 1 to middle of April...	H. C. Beattie.
D & F Elkridge (35 couples) ...	Woodbrook, Baltimore, Co., Md.	Baltimore Co., Md.	Sept. 15 until frost, March 1 to April 15	Charles Pfizer.
D Essex (30 couples).....	Gladstone, N. J.....	Somerset and Morris Counties, N. J.....	Sept. 1 to Dec. 31, and about 6 weeks every spring	Edward A. Jackson.
Genesee Valley	Genesee, N.Y.	Genesee Valley	Oct. 1 to Jan. 1	Hon. Austin Wadsworth.
F Grafton (16 couples)	Grafton, Mass.	Worcester Co., Mass.	Aug. 1 to March 1	Harry W. Smith.
F Green Spring Valley (22 couples).....	Garrison P. O., Baltimore Co., Md.	Northwestern Section Baltimore Co., Md.	Oct. 1 to April 1	Redmond C. Stewart, 207, N. Calvert St., Baltimore, Md.
D Harkaway (12 to 15 couples).....	McDonald, Pa.	Parts of Alleghany and Washington Cos., Pa.	Sept. 1 to May 1	F. M. Lowry, 803, Farmers' Bk. Bldg., Pittsburg, Pa.
D & F Keswick (10 to 15 couples)	Keswick, Va.	Albemarle Co., Va.	Nov. 1 to April 1	Julian Morris.
F Lima (15 couples)	Lima, Delaware Co., Pa.	Delaware Co., Pa.....	Nov. 1 to March 31	Charles A. Dohan.
F Loudoun (11 couples) ...	Leesburg, Loudoun Co., Va.	Loudoun Co., Va., east of Hogback Mountain from Aldie to Point of Rock, Md.	Sept. 6 to April 1	D. B. Tennant.

D & F Meadowbrook (105 couples).....	Westbury, Long Isl., N.Y.	From Valley Stream to Green Lawn, via. Oyster and Wading River branches. From Hyde Park to Ronkonkoma, via. main line. From Jamaica Junction to Bay Shore via. Montauk division. From Mineola to Locust Valley via. Oyster Bay branch. From Flushing to Manhasset Station via. North Slide division. Radius of 15 miles from Lincoln, Mass.....	Oct. 1 to April 15, when weather permits..... Note.—Eight runs per week, including two drag hunts.	P. F. Collier.
F Middlesex (35 couples)...	South Lincoln, Mass.	Radius of 15 miles from Lincoln, Mass.....	Autumn—Sept. 1 to Dec. 1. Spring—April 1 to June 1.	A. Henry Higginson.
D & F Monmouth County (50 couples).....	"The Kennels," Eatontown, N. J.	From Matawan to Toms River, and from the Atlantic Highlands to Princetown, N. J. September in Newport, R. I.	New Jersey season begins Oct. 12 and ends April 20, when weather permits..... Newport season begins latter part of Aug. and continues to Oct. 10.	Robt. J. Collier.
F Mr. Hitchcock's (40 couples).....	Aiken, S. C.	Aiken, S. C.	Dec. 1 to April 15.....	T. Hitchcock, Jr.
F Mr. Maddux's (10 couples).....	Leeton Hill, Warrentown, Va.	Middle Fanquier, parts of Culpepper and Rappahannock Cos., Va. Essex County, Mass.	Oct. 15 to April 15 Last of Aug. until frost, about Dec. 1	J. K. Maddux.
D Myopia (15-20 couples)...	Wenham Dept., Mass.....	Essex County, Mass.	Sept. 7 to Dec. 7	Geo. S. Mandell.
D Norfolk (20 couples).....	Medfield, Mass.	Norfolk and adjoining counties	Sept. 28 to April 1	Henry G. Vaughan.
Orange County (26 { and 12 couples) {	Goshen, Orange Co., N.Y. The Plains, Fauquier Co., Va.	Orange Co., N.Y. } Fauquier Co., Va. }	Sept. 28 to April 1	English. American.
F Patapsco (16 couples) ...	Elkridge, Howard Co., Md.	All of Howard Co. and the portion of Anne Arundel Co. joining Howard.....	Oct. 1 to April 1	John R. Townsend.
F Piedmont (15 couples) ...	Upperfield, Fauquier Co. Va.	Loudoun and Fauquier Cos., Va.	Oct. 1 to April 1	Dorsey M. Williams.
F Pine Hill (8½ couples)...	Front Royal, Va.	Warren and Fauquier Cos., Va.	Sept. 15 to April 15, according to the weather.....	R. Hunter Dulany.
F Radnor (42½ couples) ...	Bryn Mawr, Pa.....	Delaware and Chester Cos., Pa.	Oct. 11 to April 1	Jas. D. Hall, Jr.
F Rose Tree (20 couples)	Upper Providence, Delaware Co., of Media, Pa....	Delaware, Chester and Montgomery Cos.	Nov. 1 to March 20.....	John R. Valentine, Highland Farm Bryn Mawr, Pa.
F Upland (15 couples)	Upland, Pa.....	Delaware Co., Pa.....	Nov. 26 to March 18	Edward Morrell.
D Warrenton (10 couples)	Warrenton, Va.....	Vicinity of Warrenton, Va.....	Oct. 1 to March 15	Edward Crozier.
F West Chester (18 couples).....	West Chester, Pa.....	Around West Chester, Pa.....	Oct. 15 to April 15	V. D. Benner.
D Westchester (14 couples)	White Plains, N. Y.	Westchester Co. north from New Rochelle to a line from Katonah east to Greenwich, Conn., bounded east and west by New Haven and Harlem Railways.....	Thanksgiving to March 17 ...	John Jay Gheen.
D White Marsh Valley (7 couples).....	Erdenheim, Pa.	Northern Section of Philadelphia County and Southern section of Montgomery County east of Schuylkill River, Pa.	Sept. 15 to May 10	E. S. Reynal.
			Oct. 1 to March 1	Welsh Strawbridge, 114, Custom House Pl. Phila., Pa.

* The letter F signifies that the hunt is purely a Fox Hunt; the letter D signifies that the hunt is purely a Drag Hunt; and the letters D & F signify that the hunt in question is both a Drag and Fox Hunt.

CANADA.

The sportsman who visits Canada and desires while there to have a gallop after the hounds will find his wants catered for at Montreal, at Toronto, and at London. The oldest foxhunting club in Canada is the Montreal Hunt Club, of which the Master is Mr. Charles McEachran, of Montreal, Quebec, who maintains a very good pack of hounds and shows excellent sport. The Toronto Hounds are another good pack, comprising 27½ couples. They are kennelled at Scarborough, their Master is Mr. George W. Beardmore, whose post-office address is Box 526, Toronto, and their secretary is Mr. E. B. Johnson. The Club House, Scarborough, may be termed the headquarters of the members of the hunt. The hounds meet throughout the spring and autumn season three days a week. Annual point-to-point races and a gymkhana are held each autumn.

The London Hunt Club, of London, Ontario, is a well-managed and progressive body. This Club was organised nineteen years ago by a few lovers of horse and hound. At first they had a scrub pack composed of English and American hounds, but they were very uneven and not satisfactory. About fifteen years ago the Montreal Hunt Club donated a draft from their kennels to the London Hunt, and since then the English foxhound has been used exclusively. By careful breeding and importing a few hounds from England they have established a very even, clever pack; the latest were from Lord Middleton's pack and Mr. Salkeld's now disbanded Cumberland pack. The hunting is principally over grassland, and the fences are either board or the old snake fence, which is fast disappearing, and the hunting man's horror, the barbed wire, is taking its place. The difficulty of laying trails becomes worse every year. The hunting, of course, is now trail hunting, as it



XI. Hussars.
(Evening dress: red, white silk facings.)



XIII. Hussars.



XX. Hussars.



Carabineers.



Inniskilling Dragoons.

has become impossible to follow hounds after a fox on account of the barbed-wire fences, which are ubiquitous. The pack is a subscription pack, and has a membership of one hundred and fifty members. The management of the Club is in the hands of a committee, whose chairman is the Master, the Hon. Adam Beck.

INDIA.

Throughout our mighty Indian Empire the sound of the huntsman's horn is often heard. Bobbery packs are numerous wherever practicable, but these, of course, we cannot pretend to deal with. Concerning the chief packs we are able to place a great deal of interesting information before our readers. The most important hunts of the country and their seasons (approximately) are as follow :—

NAME OF HUNT				APPROXIMATE SEASON.
OOTACAMUND HUNT	...	...	...	April 15th to October 15th.
POONA	...	...	...	July 1st to November 1st
AURUNGABAD	...	...	...	July 1st to November 1st.
BOMBAY	...	...	...	November 20th to March 1st.
MADRAS	...	...	...	November 1st to March 1st.
PESHAWAR VALE HUNT	...	...	...	November 1st to April 1st.

There are also packs in Coorg, Lahore, Karachi, at Mhow, at Mozufferpure, and at Belgaum. The welthiest and best "hunt" of the lot, if it can so be called, is the Calcutta Paperchase Club, of which the hon. secretary is Mr. J. H. Allen, of Clive Row, Calcutta.

The Bombay Hounds.

The Bombay Hounds are the premier pack in India. The Master (now retiring) is Mr. J. A. Lord, and the hon. secretary Mr. J. W. Symington. Thursday and Saturday are the hunting days, and the kennels are at Santa Cruz, fourteen miles from Bombay. The country hunted is very hilly, and, roughly speaking, is about twelve miles by six in the island of Salsette, which is connected with the island of Bombay by a causeway. Hounds to the number of 25 couples are imported every year, arriving in October; hunting begins about November 20, and lasts until the first week in March. Charles Payne is the kennel huntsman. The pack is a subscription one, £600 to £700 being raised annually, and the hounds are sold at the end of the season.

Poona and Kirkee Hounds.

Of these hounds Colonel A. W. Sheringham is the Master, having held office since 1901, and the hon. secretary is Lieut.-Col. G. H. Bull, M.D. The kennels are at 4, Wanonrie, Poona. The hounds are partly imported from England and partly bred by Colonel Sheringham in India. The season extends during the rains from July to October. The country is very various, consisting of valleys closely cultivated, stony hills and upland, chiefly grass, intersected by deep nullahs, often difficult to negotiate, as are also the firmly-built walls of rough deccan rock. This country is a very good scenting one if the rains are good, but when these fail it is only with considerable help from the master that hounds can stick to their line. The size of the pack varies. Last year it was close on 50 couples. This season the pack is composed of 25 couples of English hounds.

Karachi Hounds.

The following are the particulars of the Karachi Hunt :—

MASTER: Mr. W. L. Graham.

HON. SECRETARY: Mr. W. L. Graham.

ADDRESS OF KENNELS: Hunt Kennels, Karachi.

HUNTING DAYS: 2 a week (Thursday and Sunday)

SEASON: December to middle of March.

Quetta Hounds.

Concerning this pack we can give the following details :—

MASTER : Capt. G. B. Sarel, 11th (P.W.O.) Lancers.

HON. SECRETARY : Capt. C. Phipps, R.G.A.

ADDRESS OF KENNELS : Hunt Kennels, Quetta.

HUNTING DAYS : 2 a week (Thursday and Monday).

SEASON : December to April.

The Madras Hounds.

The Master of this pack is Major F. C. Logan Home, who hunts the hounds himself. His address is, H. E. The Governor's Bodyguard, Madras. The hon. secretary is Mr. H. N. C. Campbell, Madras Club. The kennels are at Teynampett, Madras. The pack is a two-days-a-week subscription one, hunting jackal, and consists of 15 to 18 couple. A new pack is brought out from England every year, and is sold at the end of the season, as hounds will not live through the hot weather there. The season commences in the first week in November and finishes usually about the end of February. The country lies within a radius of 15 miles south and west of Madras, that to the west and south-west, the Poonamallee and St. Thomas Mount country, being for the most part flat, unfenced paddy (rice) land, and very deep in November and December. The southern portion, Guindy, is dry cultivation, scrub jungle and casuarina woods. The earliest records of the hunt extant date back to 1776, and are in the form of correspondence regarding the importation of drafts from England, showing that the hunt was in existence for some years previous to that date. No regular yearly records, however, appear to have been kept prior to 1871.

The only other regular hunts in this presidency are the following :—

The Ootacamund Hunt.

The Master of this pack is Captain A. D'A. Fife, A.D.C., Government House, Ootacamund. The secretary is Mr. E. W. Schmidt, Ootacamund, and the kennels are at Ootacamund, Nilgiris.

Mr. Murray Aynsley's Hounds.

Mr. Murray Aynsley, of Kennels, Peripatam, Mysore Province, is the Master of these hounds. In the course of an account of hunting in Southern India which has been sent to us, the sportsman who wants to get as near as possible to "the good old sport at home," is advised to throw in his lot with Mr. Murray Aynsley's Hounds at Peripatam, which is 40 miles west from Mysore on the Coorg road. There he will be met with an hospitable welcome from the genial Master, backed up no less by his field, "the merry planters of Coorg." The country is described as being ten miles or so in length, and the same in breadth, most of it really affording, especially for India, a most charming ride—flying fences, and plenty of them. The jumps for the most part are of very long prickly thorny bushes. The ground is good for galloping over, being grass and arable combined, and generally carries a scent. Jacks are always found when wanted, and often give good gallops. The country is ten hours from Bangalore, and good short-legged horses that can jump and gallop are the best. The pack is kept up to a good standard by Mr. Murray Aynsley, who usually obtains his English drafts through Mr. John Williams, who is well-known in England as Master of the Four Burrow Foxhounds.

Smaller Packs.

The three foregoing packs are the only recognised ones so far as we are aware in this part of India (Madras Presidency). There are occasionally small regimental packs started at different military stations, which do not usually survive more than two or three years. There are also one or two small planters' packs for hunting sambur on foot. We believe the 1st Leicestershire Regiment, at Belgaum, have just started a pack of the former description, the hon. secretary being Mr. E. Henderson, while a pack of the latter description is the Talliar Hunt, of which the Master is Mr. E. E. Williams, Talliar Estate, *via* Munaar P.O., Pulney Hills

Peshawar Vale Hounds.

The country round Peshawar has long been known, writes a correspondent, as the best bit of hunting country in India, and before the formation of the Peshawar Vale Hunt has proved a sufficient inducement to most regiments in that station to establish regimental packs. The Peshawar Vale is a beautiful country, and not at all what one would expect to find at the feet of the grim frontier hills; in fact, in places it reminds one very much of England. To enjoy a run with the Peshawar pack one

requires a quick handy animal, for the country is intersected with irrigation channels all of which require jumping, and often the exigencies of agriculture cause these channels to become "gridirons"; obstacles which require as much negotiating as anything one meets in the old country. Before the formation of the Peshawar Vale Hunt the country was hunted for two seasons by Capt. Markham, R.H.A., who had got together a level well-ordered pack of six-and-twenty couple of hounds. He showed such brilliant sport that on his leaving Peshawar the garrison decided to take over the hounds, and thus the P.V.H. was first established, the date of its birth being January 28th, 1870. Since that time the pack has shown excellent sport, and has risen to a point of excellence which is unrivalled in India. Excellent kennels have been built at Peshawar, and also at Murree, where the hounds are sent for the hot weather, and great care is taken in the selection of the new draft, which is got out from home at the beginning of each season. The pack at present consists of 17½ couple of hounds drafted from some of the best packs in England, which with the new draft of 10 couple obtained annually from home, will start the next season with 27½ couple. The hunting begins about the first week in November, and continues till the end of March. As a rule the hunting in November is not very good owing to the large amount of cover, and the consequent difficulty of getting the wily Jackal to break; but from December onwards, when the natives have begun to cut the sugar fields, good runs become the rule, and during the last few seasons we have almost forgotten what it is to have a blank day. The hounds meet twice a week generally at 8 a.m., but towards the end of the season the meet takes place at 7.30 a.m., because of the heat.

Since 1870 there have been twenty-four Masters, and the present excellent condition of the pack is in a very large measure due to Major Tarte, The Buffs, who has carried the horn with conspicuous success for seven seasons, and before that time acted as first whipper-in. He has, alas! severed his connection with the hunt, as he resigned the mastership at the end of this season on proceeding to England. His loss is irreparable, and though he will probably never again "show us the way" in the far-famed shires of the Eusufzaie Valley, he will, I am sure, often hark back in spirit to the grand old pack which he loved so well.

The whippers-in are chosen by the Master from the Officers of the Garrison. The present Staff are as follows :—

MASTER ELECT: Mr. A. F. Deacon.

WHIPPERS-IN: Capt. E. S. Clark, Capt. J. Hartigan, Mr. Newland and Mr. Jackson.

Mozufferpore Hounds.

Mr. Rowland Hudson has given up the Mozufferpore hounds, and the country is now hunted by Mr. W. A. Vincent at his own expense. He carries the horn himself, and has a native whipper-in. The kennels are at Musari, about four miles from Mozzufferpore, and in the centre of his country. He hunts two days a week, and has had very fair sport during the last two seasons. The country is about 15 by 15 miles. Fences are small and trappy. Scent is good when they are lucky in getting winter rains and heavy dews. Jackals are plentiful; and a blank day is almost unknown. The present pack consists of drafts from Poona, and a pack brought out to Tirhoot by Mr. Walter Jones in the season 1903-4.

Mhow Hounds.

These hounds in Central India were formerly known as the 10th Hussars' Hounds. They are now Capt. the Hon. C. B. Mitford's, and comprise 20 couples of foxhounds. The first whip is the Hon. A. Annesley, the second Mr. A. Davies Cooke, while C. Stevin is kennel huntsman. During the season, which extends from October to April, the hunting days are Sundays and Thursdays. The country hunted embraces the Harsola Vale and the Hatela Hills in the Indore State.

SOUTH AFRICA.

The only established packs we know of in South Africa are the Cape Town Hounds, with kennels at Wynberg, the Potchefstroom Hounds, kept by the garrison at Potchefstroom, and the Bray Hill Hunt.

The Cape Town Hounds.

Capt. V. T. Lutley, of the Government House, Cape Town, is the Master of this pack, and he acts as his own huntsman. Mr. V. van der Byl is the secretary. The regular hunting day is Saturday, and there is an occasional bye day. The hounds, as we have said, have their kennels at

Wynberg, and number 13½ couples. This year they have been strengthened by a draft from the Hurworth Hounds, kindly presented by Mr. E. B. Forbes, M.F.H. Situated as the kennels are on the coast, the Master of the Cape Town finds it difficult to rear puppies. The jackal is the quarry, and he usually gives a very good run. But jackals are much scarcer than they used to be—owing to various reasons—primarily the rewards given by the Government for their destruction. Another reason lies in the fact that, whereas large flocks of sheep used to be driven from place to place, they are now transported by rail.

Potchefstroom Hounds.

The Master of this pack is Col. A. H. Carter, R.F.A., and the first whipper-in and secretary, Lieut. R. J. Adams, R.F.A. The kennels are at cantonments, Potchefstroom, and the usual hunting days Tuesdays and Saturdays. The season is from April 21st to September 15th. Steinbuck and duiker are hunted. Visitors are welcomed. The country consists of open veldt, with stony kopjes.

The Bray Hill Hunt.

The Master is Mr. P. J. Simmons, Bray Hill, Mooi River, Natal. The kennels are at Bray Hill. The hunting season extends from April to September, and buck are hunted. The country comprises good grass, somewhat enclosed with wire fences, and hilly, and the meets are accessible from Mooi River, Natal, where there are hotels. A subscription would be expected from anyone hunting regularly.

EAST AFRICA.

The Nairobi pack of foxhounds is the first to be established in the East African Protectorate. The pack was formed early in 1904, and consists of six couples which hunt jackals. We are told that on one occasion the hounds hit off the line of a full-grown lioness, so the followers of these hounds have to be prepared for lively times!

AUSTRALIA.

There are three packs of hounds hunting near Melbourne, and about six in the country—that is, in Victoria. The Melbourne Hounds are the most important pack in Australia. Their kennels are at Oakleigh. For many years Mr. George Watson, brother of Mr. Robert Watson, the veteran ex-Master of the Carlow Hounds, and uncle of Mr. John Watson, the popular Master of the Meath, hunted these hounds, and now his son Godfrey holds the joint mastership with Mr. John T. Lempriere. Mr. George Watson, we have been told, had not been long in Australia when the suitability of the country about Melbourne prompted him to start a pack of hounds. In the absence of the fox, he accepted the dingo, or wild dog, and kangaroo as substitutes, and at a later date, when the work of game acclimatisation societies had prospered, the red deer in the Werribu district enabled him to show some fine sport of a more home-like character than that with the native game. In 1864 the first parent stock of foxes was imported—a dog fox and two vixens—which were purchased by the Melbourne Hunt, and turned down to breed. Foxes have become so plentiful now that within a few miles of Melbourne hounds may hunt two or three days a week, and show excellent sport. Foxes there are strong and well-grown, and frequently travel many miles at a fast pace before being accounted for. Mr. Watson laid the foundations of his pack with a few couples purchased locally, and to these he added drafts obtained from the Badminton, Earl Fitzwilliam's, and the Carlow and Island Kennels. With these the Melbourne Hounds, which have provided sport for nearly half a century, were established. Another Victorian pack is the Oaklands, which hunt near Melbourne. The Master is Mr. Alister Clark, and hounds are kennelled at Essendon. Another well-known pack which always attracts plenty of followers is the Findon. They hunt the hare, and are under the mastership of Mr. Herbert Miller. The kennels are at Mill Park, ten miles from Melbourne.

The best-known hunt in South Australia is the Adelaide Hunt Club, whose Master is Mr. R. A. Sanders, and the kennels are at Hilton. The Mount Gambier Hounds are hunted by Mr. R. J. Collins, the kennels being situated at Mount Gambier.

TASMANIA.

When the South African War broke out and we had to rely so much upon the help of our Colonial volunteers, not the least to distinguish themselves in the field were the Tasmanians, who

surprised everyone with their quickness in "getting on," their eye for a country, and their fine horsemanship. The secret was this: Practically the whole contingent had acquired their training in "the sport of kings, the himage of war without its guilt, and only five-and-twenty per cent. of its danger." Among them, indeed, were more than one or two masters and ex-masters of hounds, and many of the hardest riders and straightest goers from all parts of the island. Hunting flourishes in Tasmania. There are several packs which hunt the wild stag and the nimble kangaroo, but as game is scarce near Hobart the drag is mostly brought into requisition in the vicinity of the metropolis, and this at any rate helps to foster the love of riding to hounds, to encourage the breeding of hunters, and to produce good bold horsemen. He must have his heart in the right place, and be well-mounted, too, who would live with the Hobart Hounds, for there is no time to look for gaps or gates. The regular followers are to be commended for their care in keeping up the dignity of the sport in the matter of dress. They come out in smart pink coats with dark green collars, which would put to shame some of their less punctilious brethren, who appear in ratcatcher kit at meets of hounds in the Mother Country. Of some of the lesser packs we have no particulars, but the three leading hunts in Tasmania are as follows :—

Name of Hunt.	Master.	Deputy Master.	Kennels.	Quarry Hunted.
Hobart Hunt Club	Mr. Alex. M. Boyes	Mr. A. J. Jillett	New Town	Game and Drag.
Northern Hunt Club	Mr. J. C. Cox	Mr. J. W. Boyes	Longford (11 miles from Launceston).	Deer, Kangaroo and Hare.
Midland Hounds	Mr. John Carr-Lord.....	.....	Antill Ponds	Deer and Kangaroo.

NEW ZEALAND.

Hunting is perhaps more enthusiastically carried on in New Zealand than in any of our antipodean colonies. The various hunts are now formed into the New Zealand Hunt Association, of which Mr. Arthur Cooper, of Wellington, is the secretary. That gentleman sends us the following list of hunts affiliated to the association :—

Name of Hunt.	Master.	Secretary.	Address of Secretary.	Locality of Kennels.
Birchwood .....	.....	A. McGavock	Otatau, Invercargill	Otatau.
Brackenfield	F. H. Courage.....	Hugh Ensor	Amberley Canterbury .....	.....
Christchurch	J. Bond	J. D. Hall	Box 5, G. P. O., Christchurch	"The Kennels," Christchurch.
Egmont-Wangamir ..	Oscar Symes	R. H. Nolan	Hawera, Taranaki.....	Mania, Taranaki.
Hawkes Bay	Harold Russell	W. J. Stratton	Hastings, Hawkes' Bay	Hastings.
Mahia .....	.....	E. E. Gaddusen	Mahia, Gisborne	Mahia.
Pakuranga	W. McLaughlin	R. Kinloch	Mount Eden Road, Auckland	Otahuhu, Auckland.
Rangitikei	D. G. Kiddiford	G. F. Bishop	Marton, Rangitikei, Wellington	Greatford, Rangitikei.
South Canterbury	A. S. Elworthy	C. E. Thomas	Timaru, Canterbury .....	.....
Waikato	N. Banks	Ernest J. R. Smith	Cambridge Waikato, Auckland	Brentwood, Cambridge.
Wairarapa	W. Booth	G. H. Perry	Masterton, Wairarapa, Wellington	Masterton.
Woodlands .....	.....	W. W. Awdry	Pahiatua, via, Wellington	Woodville, via, Wellington.

The North Island.

In the North Island of New Zealand (writes Mr. G. Hamish Wilson) the Pakuranga Hunt, situated in Auckland, is probably the oldest, and was founded by Mr. Every McLean, who brought some hounds from England about forty years ago. The late Master, Mr. O'Rorke, who is at present in England, has compiled and printed a history of this hunt. They have a large membership, a very fine pack (chiefly of foxhound blood), and a large and varied country, having a radius of 30 miles, some of which resemble Leicestershire and other parts in which stone walls and posts and rails and wire fences are to be found. The hounds have been hunted for many years by Selby, who has one son hunting the Christchurch hounds and one whipping-in to the Rangitikei.

The Egmont Hunt, in the Hawera district on the West coast, was founded some ten years ago. The kennels are situated in the middle of what is really two districts, and hounds travel by train sometimes thirty miles to either end. The country is formidable, chiefly large banks and ditches and high wire. Further down the coast is the Rangitikei Hunt, which was founded some thirty years ago by Mr. J. G. Wilson, who brought over some hounds from Melbourne. The country is strongly enclosed with ditch and bank and gorse fences, but latterly these have been largely replaced by wire, owing to the gorse dying out.

The Hawkes Bay Hunt on the East coast has a large extent of country, chiefly plains, enclosed by wire fences, and hounds run very fast, as hares find no obstruction. In the South Island the three chief packs are the Brackenfield in North Canterbury, the Christchurch in the middle, and the South Canterbury in the south. These hunts have all a large membership and plenty of country, of which the pick is perhaps Christchurch.

A Day's Hunting in the South Island of New Zealand.

*The following interesting account of hunting in the South Island
is from the pen of MR. J. D. HALL.*

HUNTING in the South Island of the colony of New Zealand is confined to harriers, with very occasionally, by special permission of the Acclimatisation Society, a run after a stag, which has come down from the higher country, and is regaling himself on the turnips and green winter feed grown for fattening sheep. It may be perhaps as well to explain that this note deals only with hunting in the province of Canterbury, N.Z., the home of the Canterbury mutton and lamb, and that the greater part of the province is devoted to the breeding and fattening of sheep. When this is taken into consideration, and also the fact that ewes in some districts commence lambing in July, our third winter month, it will be easily understood that it is somewhat difficult to obtain country to hunt, without exposing the farmers to serious losses in lambing. The earliest recollections of hunting in Canterbury take us back to about the year 1876, when some harriers appear to have been imported from Melbourne, since which date the breed of hounds has been kept up by interchanging with the Auckland and other North Island kennels and the importation of hounds from the old country. The first club was known as the Canterbury Hunt Club, and hunted nearly the whole province, but some five years later other packs of harriers were started in the south and north, and the original hunt country was limited to the county of Selwya. The South Canterbury Hunt took the southern part of the province, and the pack started by Mr. G. B. Starky the northern part.

The Christchurch Hounds.

The hounds in the Christchurch Hunt kennels now number about 22 couples, of which six or seven couples are used entirely for drag purposes, in the district close to Christchurch, where it is found almost impossible to hunt hares, so as to show sport to those who are engaged in business in the town and whose only opportunity of having a ride after hounds is on a Saturday afternoon. The real hare hunting takes place at distances varying from 15 to 40 miles from Christchurch, the kennels being situated about five miles west of that town, and hounds being taken by train to meets more than 15 miles distant from the kennels, or on some occasions making the journey the day before and returning the day after the meet. To get a day's hunting over some of the best country necessitates a resident in Christchurch taking the 8.15 a.m. train out and sending his horse on by a goods train, which leaves an hour earlier, and by 10.30 horse and man have generally arrived at the station fixed for the meet, and by the time the horses and hounds are unloaded it is 11 o'clock, which is the usual time for the country fixture. The number attending the meets by train varies from half-a-dozen to twice that number, while in Grand National week the club usually arranges for a special train, and is proud to do its utmost to shew visiting sportsmen what it can do for them in the way of sport with a maximum of comfort in attaining the same.

The Sport Described.

As to the sport itself, let the reader imagine himself in the midst of a pastoral district in the Canterbury plains, where the whole country is dead flat for miles around, the ranges of snow-clad mountains miles away to the south and west shewing up with wonderful distinctness on a bright, frosty morning. The only trees are those planted by the farmers for shelter purposes in belts and triangles, and are generally pines, blue gums, or wattles, with a few poplars. The farmers' shelter plantations are in no way a hindrance to hunting, but where the planting has taken the form of belts some 20 chains in width, and extending over the plains some two or three miles in length, and which are rapidly becoming impassable, owing to thick undergrowth, it will easily be understood that they become a sure haven of rest for a hunted hare, and are duly appreciated as such by the hares. However, an average day's sport does not often include country adjacent to the County Council plantations, and if a typical day is taken the reader must imagine himself jogging off to draw for a hare behind about 14 couple of hounds, which, though not a level pack as to size or making, are as

keen as mustard, and will show you that they take some catching when on a warm scent. One or two couples, indeed, are almost the size of foxhounds, while others show more of the true harrier breed, and are mostly closely related to the sire hound Dervish, imported from Mr. Green's Essex pack. The horses of those coming from town are really good types and would not disgrace us in an English hunting field, while the local horses, though rather more in the rough, show us before the day is out that their looks belie them, and that the work they get on the farms makes them quite as fit as those which are under the care of our grooms in town.

With the Hounds in the Field.

And now we are in a 100-acre pasture paddock belonging to one of the principal farmers in the district, who some years past the three score years and ten has driven down to the railway station to welcome us. His pride and pleasure it is that we should have a good day's sport. What a treat it is to be able to ride over such a holding and to see the stock (sheep mostly) that are a credit to any district, and what is more a source of revenue than which nothing is more profitable. To-day we can go anywhere, as with the exception of a paddock in kale and another in rape there is nothing we can hurt, the rest of the estate being all in pasture, while the neighbouring farms have only an occasional paddock in crop. The 100-acre paddock is fairly quartered, but nothing is found; we are despondent, as on such a day they are bound to go, and a hare must be found sooner or later. With a hie-over, hounds are over a sod bank with three wires on top, well covered in most places with gorse, which is cut every year with a patent gorse-cutter, and is consequently thick and strong in its growth. A ring round and a whimper bursting into full chorus soon lets us know that they are on a warm scent, and so it proves, as by the time we are over after them we only catch sight of the tail hounds disappearing over the next fence, and we are sailing along with a sense of exhilaration, which is worth coming miles to feel. It is hard to describe perhaps, but it is a sense I suppose every sportsman knows and appreciates, and which to my mind is most often experienced during the middle of a good run where hounds are running strong in front of you and your favourite hunter is going well and making light of the biggest of fences.

An Enjoyable Hunt.

I suppose this hare takes us a mile and a half fairly straight, and then goes through a fence, and up it at right angles to her previous course, and then swinging again to the right she takes us over the first part of the run and into a road, where she is viewed; but directly hounds are in the road their heads go up and they are in trouble. Some half mile up the road she has been turned, and hounds being lifted on to this point simply revel in the scent. They are off at score, and we are looking up and down at a bank with four wires on top, and just enough thin gorse to partly hide the wire. It does not look inviting, but there is no way round, and with a ramming down of hats some four take it almost simultaneously, the horses jumping the top wire with the utmost precision. And now we have to sit down to catch the hounds, and for another two miles we are riding over the best of our country. With only a bit of a swing to the right again she is viewed making the best of her weary way some 300 yards in front of hounds. A view holloa! seems to frighten her, and she pops through one fence, down it about ten chains, and through another cross-one, but this is her last fence, as she there most ill-advisedly elects to try the open, with a small plantation on the other side of a 50-acre paddock as her goal. Hounds have now viewed her, and many eager jaws are working in grim determination; and they have descried her and run into her in the open, while the four or five, who have seen it out, have a look over sobbing and heaving flanks and think, even if they do not say so, that it has been quite good enough. "About five miles," says the huntsman, "and only one check." This is good enough for most of us, and as it is past midday we munch our snacks and give the horses a breather. Half an hour later we mount again, but the wind is now cold and hounds seem to have lost their dash; they hunt on a cold scent for another hour, and then give it up. And we are off to the railway station and so home. This has been a good day, but there are others when the country is difficult and trappy, with many bare wire fences and bad light, which causes trouble to men and horses, while the system of water races running over the plains, and which are mostly running close to the fences, often prove pitfalls and cause young horses to lose confidence.



M. Dorothy Hardy

"Thicker and foster come grief and disaster. "
All but the good ones are weeded at last."

COMPLETE LIST OF HOUNDS AND HUNTING DIRECTORY.

ENGLISH STAGHOUNDS.

AMORY'S, SIR JOHN (25 couple).—Hunting days, Wednesdays, Saturdays

MASTER: Sir John Amory, Bart., Knights Hayes Court, Tiverton.
HUNTSMAN: Mr. Ian Heathcote Amory.
WHIPS: Mr. A. de Las Casas, Mr. L. Amory, E. Hellard, K.H.
SECRETARY: Mr. F. Dunsford, Ashley, Tiverton.
KENNELS: Hensleigh, Tiverton.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Tiverton, Dulverton, Bampton.

BERKHAMSTEAD (15 couple).—Wednesdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. J. Rawle, The Kennels.
WHIPS: Messrs. F. and W. H. Dwight.
SECRETARY: Mr. C. H. Miles, Gorse Side, Great Berkhamstead.
KENNELS: The Common, Great Berkhamstead.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: St. Albans, Tring, Berkhamstead.

BERKS AND BUCKS FARMERS' (25 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Sir Robert Wilmot, Bart., Binfield Grove, Bracknell.
HUNTSMAN: F. Goodall.
WHIPS: F. Bushell, W. Strickland.
SECRETARY: Mr. W. Weall, Pinkney's Green, Maidenhead.
KENNELS: Binfield Grove, Bracknell.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Maidenhead, Windsor, Ascot.

DEVON & SOMERSET (52½ couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. R. A. Sanders, Court, Exford, Taunton.
HUNTSMAN: S. Tucker.
WHIP: E. Bawden.
SECRETARY: Mr. P. Evered, Milton's Rocks, Dulverton.
KENNELS: Exford, Taunton.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Minehead, Porlock, Dulverton.

ENFIELD CHASE (22½ couple).—Saturdays, and when possible one other day a week.

MASTER: Mr. W. Walker, High Canons Park, Shenley.
HUNTSMAN: C. Turner.
WHIP: Will Friend.
SECRETARY: Mr. S. Leger G. Stephen, The Grange, Kingsbury, N.W.
KENNELS: High Canons, Shenley, Herts.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Enfield, Hatfield, St. Albans.

ESSEX (20 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. A. Jackson, Baddow Park, near Chelmsford.
WHIPS: C. Bloxham, K.H., F. Flack.
SECRETARY: Mr. J. C. Russell, Broomfield, Chelmsford.
KENNELS: Baddow Park, near Chelmsford.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Chelmsford, Ongar, Dunmow.

GERARD'S, THE HON. R. (27 couple).—Two a week.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: The Hon. R. Gerard, Wrightington Hall, Appley Bridge, Lancs.
WHIPS: T. Kane, K.H., W. Lucas, F. Spann.
SECRETARY: Mr. F. Wood, Newton-le-Willows, Lancs.
KENNELS: Wrightington Hall, Appley Bridge, Lancs.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Preston, Newton, Manchester.

MID-KENT (20 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. A. Leney, Orpines, Watlingtonbury.
WHIP: Will Welch.
SECRETARY: Mr. R. Tappin, Thorndale, Watlingtonbury.
KENNELS: Watlingtonbury, Kent.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Tonbridge, Maidstone, Ashford.

NEW FOREST (25 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. O. T. Price, New Park, Brockenhurst.
HUNTSMAN: W. Roberts.
WHIP: J. Wateridge.
SECRETARY: Mr. R. S. Freeland, Harting, Brockenhurst.
KENNELS: New Park, Brockenhurst.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Brockenhurst, Lyndhurst.

NORWICH (22 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. J. E. Cooke, The Lodge, Brooke, Norfolk.
WHIPS: F. Jones, O. Smith, W. Bates, K.H.
SECRETARY: Mr. G. D. Gowing, White House, Sprowston, Norwich.
KENNELS: Moushold, Norwich.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dereham, Diss, Norwich.

OXENHOLME (20 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. C. H. Wilson, Oxenholme, Kendal.
WHIPS: R. Jackson, K.H., W. Hulley, W. Bland.
SECRETARY: Colonel J. W. Weston, End Moor, Kendal.
KENNELS: Gate Beck, near Kendal.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Kendal, Milnthorpe.

QUANTOCK (25 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays (stag-hunting); Tuesdays, Saturdays (hind-hunting).

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. E. A. V. Stanley, Quantock Lodge, Bridgwater.
WHIPS: H. Roake, K.H., W. Hobbs.
SECRETARY: Mr. R. F. W. Hill, Charget House, Washford, near Taunton.

KENNELS: Quantock Lodge, Over Stowey, Bridgwater.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bridgwater, Taunton, Williton.

ROTHSCHILD'S, LORD.—(30 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Lord Rothschild, Tring Park, Herts.
HUNTSMAN: John Boore.
WHIPS: W. Gaskin, W. Doggett.
KENNELS: Ascott, Leighton Buzzard.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Leighton Buzzard, Aylesbury.

SURREY (36 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Capt. W. B. McTaggart, The Ray, Lingfield.
HUNTSMAN: W. Poole.
WHIPS: C. Jupp, W. Grace.
SECRETARY: Mr. A. J. Norris, Longshaw, Chipstead.
KENNELS: Horleyland, Horley, Surrey.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Horley, Redhill, Crawley.

WARNHAM (22 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. H. C. Lee Steere, Jayes Park, Ockley, Dorking.
HUNTSMAN: C. White.
WHIPS: W. Hutchins, E. Webster.
SECRETARY: Mr. R. C. Bovill, Bearehurst, Holmwood, Surrey.
KENNELS: Near Ockley, Dorking.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dorking, Horsham, Guildford.

WELLS, Mr. EUGENE (15 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. E. Wells, Buxhall Vale, Stowmarket.
WHIPS: T. Dennis, R. Nunn.
SECRETARY: Capt. J. W. Royce Tomkin, Norton Hall, near Bury St. Edmunds.
KENNELS: Buxhall Vale, Stowmarket.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Stowmarket, Ipswich.

IRISH STAGHOUNDS.

DOWN, Co. (36 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. David Ker, Montalto, Ballynahinch.
WHIPS: George Woodman, K.H., J. Ingleson.
SECRETARY: Mr. Hugh Henry, Wingfield, Belfast.
KENNELS: Rockmount, Ballynahinch.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Belfast, Downpatrick.

TEMPLEMORE (16 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. Fitzroy Knox, Brittas, Thurles.
HUNTSMAN: Mr. Gerald Knox.
WHIPS: J. Hyland, E. Fleming.
SECRETARY: Mr. Gerald Knox, Brittas, Thurles.
KENNELS: Brittas, Thurles.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Thurles, Roscrea, Rathdowney.

WARD UNION (40½ couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. Percy Maynard, Ilatooth Manor, Co. Meath.
HUNTSMAN: J. Brindley.
WHIP: C. Brindley.
SECRETARY: Mr. J. Fox-Goodman, 81 Pembroke Road, Dublin.
KENNELS: Ashbourne, Co. Meath.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dunshaghtlin, Dublin.

WESTMEATH, SOUTH (21 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Mr. E. Wakefield, Farnagh, Moate.
HUNTSMAN: Mr. E. J. Bolton.
WHIP: Tom Fitzpatrick.
SECRETARY: Mr. A. Harris Temple, Waterston, Athlone.
KENNELS: Athlone.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Moate, Athlone.

ENGLISH FOXHOUNDS.

ALBRIGHTON (60 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Lieut.-Col. C. E. Goulburn, Bradeney, near Bridgnorth, Salop.
 HUNTSMAN: C. Morris.
 WHIPS: G. Clarke, H. Holt.
 SECRETARY: Mr. S. Loveridge, Bishton Hall, Wolverhampton.
 KENNELS: Whiston Cross, Wolverhampton.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newport, Shifnal, Wolverhampton.
ALLEN'S, Mr. S. (25 couple).—Tuesdays: Fridays occasionally.
 MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. Seymour Allen, Cresselly Park, Begelly, Pembroke.

WHIPS: F. Griffiths, G. Davies.
 SECRETARY: Mr. George Lort Stokes, Tenby.
 KENNELS: Cresselly, Begelly, Pembrokeshire.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Tenby, Pembroke, Narberth.

ATHERSTONE (60 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. J. C. Mudro, Mancetter Lodge, Atherstone.

HUNTSMAN: G. Whitmore.
 WHIPS: J. Willis, H. Tyrrell.
 SECRETARY: Capt. H. L. Townshend, Caldecote Hall, Nuneaton.
 KENNELS: Witherley, Atherstone.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Nuneaton, Hinckley, Tamworth.

BADSWORTH (55 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. Henry J. Hope Barton, Stapleton Park, Pontefract.

WHIPS: B. Grant, K.H., S. Morgan, W. Gray.
 SECRETARY: Mr. F. Leatham, Hemsworth Hall, Wakefield.
 KENNELS: Badsworth, Pontefract.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Pontefract, Wakefield, Bardsley.

BARLOW (24½ couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. W. Wilson, Junr., Beauchief, Abbey, Sheffield.

WHIPS: H. Morgan, K.H., G. Haslam, D. Shephard.
 KENNELS: Horsley Gate, near Sheffield.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dronfield, Chesterfield.

BEAUFORT'S, DUKE OF (75 couple).—Six a week.
 MASTER: The Duke of Beaufort, Badminton House, Glos.

HUNTSMAN: Will Dale.
 WHIPS: J. Oliver, T. Newman.
 SECRETARY: Col. F. Henry, Elmstree, Tetbury.

KENNELS: Badminton, S.O., Glos.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Tetbury, Bristol, Malmesbury.

BEDALE (45 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. J. J. Moubay, Killerby Hall, Catterick.

DEPUTY MASTER: Capt. F. H. Reynard, Camp Hill, Bedale.
 HUNTSMAN: F. Freeman.
 WHIPS: C. Pockets, Fred. White.
 SECRETARY: Mr. Richard Booth, Warlaby, Bedale.

KENNELS: Low Street, Bedale.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bedale, Northallerton, Thirsk.

BELVOIR (65½ couple).—Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Sir Gilbert Greenall, Bart., Woolsthorpe, Grantham.

HUNTSMAN: B. Capell.
 WHIPS: J. Bell, J. Jordan.
 SECRETARIES: Mr. C. J. Phillips, Old Dalby, Melton Mowbray (Leicestershire side); Mr. W. Newton, Barrowby, Grantham (Lincolnshire side).

KENNELS: Belvoir, Grantham.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Grantham, Melton Mowbray.

BERKELEY, OLD (EAST) (27 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
 MASTER: Mr. R. B. Webber, Chorleywood, Herts.

HUNTSMAN: J. Press.
 WHIP: T. Dunn.
 SECRETARY: Mr. G. J. M. Atkins, Chorleywood, Herts.

KENNELS: Chorleywood, Herts.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Watford, Rickmansworth.

BERKELEY, OLD (WEST) (35 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays, occasional bye.
 MASTER: Mr. R. Leadbetter, Hazlemere Park, Bucks.

HUNTSMAN: A. Sheppard.
 WHIPS: W. Franklin, F. Hatt.
 SECRETARY: Mr. A. Cripps, Carmoor, Henley-on-Thames.

KENNELS: Hazlemere Park, Bucks.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Wycombe, Amersham, Great Wycombe.

BERKSHIRE, OLD (45 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, occasional bye.
 MASTER: Mr. W. Tyrwhitt Drake, Kingston, Abingdon.

HUNTSMAN: Harry Grant.
 WHIPS: W. Farmer, C. Pierce.
 SECRETARIES: Mr. C. T. Eyston, Buckland, Faringdon, and Mr. J. F. Parsons, Tubney House, Abingdon.

KENNELS: Kingston Bagpuize, Abingdon.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Faringdon, Shrivensham, Wantage.

BERKS, SOUTH (45½ couple).—Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays, occasional Tuesdays.
 MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. Seymour Dubourg, Purley, Reading.

WHIPS: W. Sammons, K.H., J. Everett, Press Comins.
 SECRETARY: Mr. W. J. Henman, 61, Alexandra Road, Reading.
 KENNELS: Purley, Reading.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Reading, Newbury, Henley.

BICESTER & WARDEN HILL (54 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. J. P. Heywood Lonsdale, Stratton Audley Hall, Bicester.

HUNTSMAN: Charles Cox.

WHIPS: W. Wilson, H. Lockey.

SECRETARY: Mr. Henry Tubb, Chesterton Lodge, Bicester.

KENNELS: Stratton Audley, Bicester.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bicester, Buckingham, Brackley.

BILSDALE (8 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. F. Wilson Horsfall, Potto Grange, Northallerton.

HUNTSMAN: Mr. T. Bentley.

WHIP: Mr. G. H. Teasdale.

SECRETARY: Mr. G. Johnson, Chop Gate, Biltsdale, Middlesbrough.

KENNELS: Holly Bower, Biltsdale, Middlesbrough.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Stokesley, Northallerton, Thirsk.

BLACKMORE VALE (60 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Lt.-Colonel Percy Browne, C.B., Fifehead Magdalen, Gillingham, Dorset.

HUNTSMAN: George Alcock.

WHIPS: W. Welch, Frank Freeman.

SECRETARY: Colonel J. D. Mansel, Bayford House, Wincanton.

KENNELS: Charlton Horethorne, near Sherborne.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Stalbridge, Yeovil, Wincanton.

BLANKNEY (52 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. Edgar Lubbock, North House, Grantham.

HUNTSMAN: G. Shepherd.

WHIPS: E. Carroll, T. Land.

SECRETARY: Mr. C. H. Wray, The Lings, Swinderby, Lincoln.

KENNELS: Blankney, Lincoln.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Lincoln, Sleaford, Newark.

BLENCATHRA (11½ couple).—Three a week.

MASTER: Mr. James W. Lowther, M.P., Hutton John, Penrith.

DEPUTY MASTER: Mr. Hy. Howe, Allerdale House, Keswick.

HUNTSMAN: James Dalton.

WHIP: Tom Hutchinson.

SECRETARY: Mr. G. Tickell, Shandraw, Keswick.

KENNELS: Riddings, Threlkeld, Keswick.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Keswick, Penrith, Carlisle.

BORDER (12 couple).—Three a week.

MASTERS: Mr. Robson, Byrness, and Mr. Dodd, Catcleugh.

HUNTSMAN: Mr. J. Robson.

WHIP: J. Telfer.

KENNELS: Byrness, Otterburn.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Otterburn, Jedburgh, Bellingham.

BRAES OF DERWENT (26 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. Lewis Priestman, Derwent Lodge, Shotley Bridge.

WHIPS: G. Coxon, K.H., S. Temperley.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. E. Cowen, Blayden Burn, Blaydon-on-Tyne.

KENNELS: Tinkler Hill, Shotley Bridge, Durham.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newcastle-on-Tyne, Hexham.

BRAMHAM MOOR (54 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Capt. J. R. Lane-Fox, Braugham Hall, Boston Spa.

HUNTSMAN: T. Smith.

WHIPS: B. Metherell, F. Smith.

SECRETARY: Mr. E. Harrison, Bramham Lodge, Boston Spa.

KENNELS: Braugham Park, Boston Spa.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Harrogate, Wetherby, Boston Spa.

BRENDON'S, MR. (22 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Mr. G. Brendon, senr., Broomhill, near Bude.

HUNTSMAN: Mr. G. Brendon, junr.

WHIPS: Mr. R. Brendon, T. Higgins.

SECRETARY: Mr. W. Keevil, Holsworthy, Devon.

KENNELS: Broomhill, Bude, Cornwall.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Holsworthy, Bude, Stratton.

BROWNE'S, MR. (16 couple).—Thursdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. A. C. Browne, Hall Court, Bromyard.

WHIP: Mr. C. C. Browne.

KENNELS: Hall Court, Bishop's Frome, Bromyard.

CONVENIENT CENTRE: Bromyard.

BROWNE'S, MR. SCOTT (45 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. A. Scott Browne, Buckland Filliegh, Highampton, North Devon.

HUNTSMAN: Philip Back.

WHIP: E. Chapman.

SECRETARY: Mr. R. T. Harris, Halwill Lodge, Beaworthy (for damage food).

KENNELS: Buckland, Filliegh, Highampton, N. Devon.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Holsworthy, Hatherleigh, Torrington.

BURSTOW (36 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays; occasional Mondays after Xmas.
 MASTER: Mr. U. Lambert, South Park Farm, Bletchingley.

HUNTSMAN: H. Molyneux.

WHIPS: F. Holland, B. Burdon.

SECRETARY: Mr. F. Morrison, Southfield, Reigate.

KENNELS: Pound Hill, Bletchingley, Surrey.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bedhill, Horley, Edenbridge.

BURTON (58 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. T. Wilson, Riseholme Hall, Lincoln.
 WHIPS: S. Dele, F. Backhouse.
 SECRETARY: Mr. E. Larkin, Cantelupe Chantry, Lincoln.
 KENNELS: Riseholme, Lincoln.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Lincoln, Market Rasen, Gainsborough.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE (45 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays, occasional bye.
 MASTER: Mr. G. Smith Bosanquet, Gransden Hall, Great Gransden, Sandy. (Hunts hounds on bye-days).
 HUNTSMAN: J. Budd.
 WHIPS: J. Tucker, M. Cullerton.
 SECRETARY: Mr. W. Fordham, The Bary, Ashwell, Baldock.
 KENNELS: Caxton, near Cambridge.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Huntingdon, St. Neots, Cambridge.

CARMARTHENSHIRE (25 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. R. H. Harries, The Croft, St. Clears.
 WHIPS: T. Davies, P. Davies.
 SECRETARY: Mr. J. Francis, Myrtle Hill, Carmarthen.
 KENNELS: Traveller's Rest, Carmarthen.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Carmarthen, St. Clears, Llanelly.

CATTISTOCK (65 couple).—Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and occasional Mondays.
 MASTERS and HUNSMEN: Rev. E. A. Milne, Chilfrome, Dorchester, and Mr. W. F. Fuller, Cattistock, Dorset.
 WHIPS: George Roake, Levi Kingle.
 SECRETARY: Mr. T. A. Colfox, Conegar, Bridport.
 KENNELS: Cattistock, Dorchester.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dorchester, Weymouth, Bridport.

CHESHIRE (56 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. H. M. Wilson, The Hermitage, Holmes Chapel.
 HUNTSMAN: F. Champion.
 WHIPS: W. Tongue, J. Brown.
 SECRETARY: Mr. Hugh Wilbraham, Delamere House, Northwich.
 KENNELS: Sandiway, Northwich.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Northwich, Tarporley.

CHESHIRE, SOUTH (30 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. Reginald Corbet, Adderley, Market Drayton.
 WHIPS: A. Earp, K.H., E. Tyrrell.
 SECRETARY: Mr. W. Starkey, Marbury Hall, Whitchurch, Salop.
 KENNELS: Adderley, Market Drayton.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Nantwich, Crewe, Tarporley.

CHIDDINGFOLD (32 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. G. H. Pinckard, Combe Court, Witley, Surrey.
 HUNTSMAN: Mr. A. G. Sadler.
 WHIPS: W. Cobb, W. Hemmings.
 SECRETARY: Mr. A. G. Parson, Church Hill, Haslemere.
 KENNELS: North End, Chiddingfold, Surrey.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Guildford, Godalming, Haslemere.

CLEVELAND (47 couple).—Various.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. W. H. A. Wharton, Skelton Castle, Cleveland, Yorkshire.
 WHIPS: W. Rees, K.H., W. Scott, J. Corner.
 SECRETARY: Mr. E. K. Fox, Nunthorpe Hall, Nunthorpe.
 KENNELS: Skelton, Cleveland.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Guisborough, Salthurn, Redcar.

CONISTON (9½ couple).—Various.
 MASTER: Rev. E. M. Reynolds, Meadowbank, Ambleside, Westmoreland.
 HUNTSMAN: H. Lancaster.
 WHIP: One of the Field.
 KENNELS: The Green, Ambleside.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ambleside, Grasmere, Coniston.

COQUETDALE (15 couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. Lancelot Fenwick, Dancing Hall, Whittingham, R.S.O.
 WHIP: T. Wilcox.
 KENNELS: Callaly High Houses, Whittingham, R.S.O., Northumberland.
 SECRETARY: Mr. B. Clayhills, Dancing Hall, Whittingham, R.S.O.

CORNWALL, EAST (26 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTERS: Mr. W. N. Connoek Marshall, Trewoyge, Liskeard; and Mr. W. Phillpotts Williams, 7, Carwinion Terrace, Liskeard.
 HUNTSMAN: Mr. Marshall.
 WHIPS: Mr. Phillpotts Williams, R. Henwood.
 SECRETARY: Lt.-Col. E. L. Marsack, Haye, Callington.
 KENNELS: Trewoyge, Liskeard.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bodmin, Launceston, Liskeard.

CORNWALL, NORTH (26 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays, occasional bye.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. H. M. Fitzherbert, St. Breward, Bodmin.
 WHIP: W. Williams.
 SECRETARY: Dr. Salmon, The Chestnuts, Bodmin.
 KENNELS: St. Breward, Bodmin.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Camelford, Bodmin, Liskeard.

COTSWOLD (50 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays, occasional bye.
 MASTER: Mr. H. O. Lord, Lilleybrook, Charlton Kings, Gloucester.
 HUNTSMAN: Charles Travass.
 WHIPS: C. Beacham, H. Adcock.
 SECRETARY: Mr. G. B. Wills, Hill House, Leckhampton.
 KENNELS: Whaddon Lane, Cheltenham.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cheltenham, Cirencester.

COTSWOLD, NORTH (36 couple).—Five a fortnight.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. C. McNeill, Kilsant House, Broadway.
 WHIPS: D. Reid, K.H., J. Scott.
 SECRETARY: Mr. H. A. Sandford, The Court House, Broadway.
 KENNELS: Broadway, Worcestershire.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cheltenham, Evesham, Moreton-in-Marsh.

COTTESMORE (55 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. Evan Hanbury, Braunston House, Oakham.
 HUNTSMAN: Arthur Thatcher.
 WHIPS: J. Moore, J. Goddard.
 SECRETARY: Mr. H. R. Finch, The Croft, Manton, Oakham.
 KENNELS: Ashwell Road, Oakham.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Melton, Oakham, Uppingham.

CRAYEN (50 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays; occasional Thursdays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. Peter Ormrod, Walcot, Kintbury, Berks.
 WHIPS: Fred Funnell, Dick Aldren.
 SECRETARY: Colonel G. C. Ricardo, Donnington, Newbury.
 KENNELS: Walcot, Kintbury, Hungerford.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newbury, Hungerford, Marlborough.

CRAWLEY AND HORSHAM (50 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Colonel C. B. Godman, Woldringfold, Horsham.
 DEPUTY MASTER: Mr. W. A. Calvert.
 HUNTSMAN: R. Kingsland.
 WHIP: George Dean.
 KENNELS: West Grinstead, Horsham.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Horsham, Worthing, Steyning.

CROOME (50 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. G. D. Smith, Strensham Court, Worcester.
 HUNTSMAN: Tom Davis.
 WHIPS: W. Kilminster, H. Louan.
 SECRETARY: Mr. Herbert Peel, Callow End, Worcester.
 KENNELS: Croome, Severn Stoke.

CUMBERLAND (24 couple).—Mondays, Fridays and occasional bye-days.
 MASTERS: Mr. H. C. Howard, Greystoke Castle, Penrith, and Mr. C. J. Parker, The Laithe, Penrith.
 HUNTSMAN: Mr. C. J. Parker.
 WHIPS: W. Kennett, K.H., H. Norman.
 SECRETARY: Viscount Morpeth, Dacre, Penrith.
 KENNELS: Roe Hill, Dalston, Carlisle.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Carlisle, Penrith, Cockermouth.

CUMBERLAND, WEST (18 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. J. H. Jefferson, Hundith Hill, Cockermouth.
 WHIPS: H. Stokes, K.H., Mr. G. Dalzell.
 SECRETARY: Mr. C. F. Watson, Greysouthen, Cockermouth.
 KENNELS: Little Mill, Cockermouth.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Keswick, Whitehaven, Aspatria.

CURRE'S, MR. (28 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. W. E. C. Curre, Itton Court, Chepstow.
 WHIPS: J. Winter, J. Hunt.
 KENNELS: Itton Court, Chepstow.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Chepstow, Usk, Monmouth.

DARTMOOR (54 couple).—Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Saturdays, occasional bye.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. W. Coryton, Penillie Castle, St. Mellion.
 WHIPS: J. Higman, K.H., S. Rarter.
 SECRETARY: Mr. George Crane, 11 Lockyer Street, Plymouth.
 KENNELS: Woodlands, Ivybridge.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ivybridge, Plymouth, Brent.

DAVIES', MR. (19½ couple).—Uncertain.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. David Davies, Plas Dinan, Llandinam, Montgomeryshire.
 WHIPS: C. Greenhow, K.H., D. Tilsley.
 KENNELS: Plas Dinan, Llandinam, Montgomeryshire.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newtown, Llanidloes, Welshpool.

DEVON, EAST (25 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Lieut.-Col. J. A. T. Garratt, Bishop's Court, Exeter.
 HUNTSMAN: D. Power.
 WHIP: F. Leach.

SECRETARY: Major L. C. Garratt, The Rectory, Clyst St. Mary, Exeter.
 KENNELS: Clyst St. Mary, Exeter.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Exeter, Exmouth, Sidmouth.

DEVON, MID (25 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. Gilbert Spiller, Chagford, Newton Abbot.
 WHIP: Tom Parsons.
 SECRETARY: Mr. J. D. Prickman, Okehampton.
 KENNELS: Chagford, Newton Abbot.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Chagford, Okehampton.
DEVON, SOUTH (40 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. W. M. G. Singer, Stearfield, Paignton.
 HUNTSMAN: Mr. W. Rendell.

WHIPS: W. Cole, K.H., H. Thompson.
 SECRETARY: Mr. L. G. Vicary, Churchills, Newton Abbot.
 KENNELS: Pulsford, near Denbury.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newton Abbot, Totnes, Torquay.
DORSET, SOUTH (25 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. J. Ashton Radcliffe, Tolpuddle, Dorchester.
 WHIPS: Mr. Atherton Parke, W. Maiden, K.H., W. Miller.
 SECRETARY: Mr. F. W. Scott, Henbury Manor, Wimborne.
 KENNELS: Bere Regis, Wareham.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dorchester, Blandford.

DURHAM, NORTH (23 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Mr. J. E. Rogerson, Mount Oswald, Durham.

HUNTSMAN: R. Freeman.

WHIPS: J. Smailes, A. Cooper.

SECRETARIES: Mr. A. Greenwell, Old Elvet, Durham, and Mr. Frank Bell, Northend, Durham.

KENNELS: Viewley Grange, Durham.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Durham, Sunderland, Newcastle.

DURHAM, SOUTH (30 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Hon. G. W. Hamilton-Russell, Hardwick Park, Sedgfield.

WHIPS: W. Goodall, K.H., A. Holland.

SECRETARY: Mr. Richard Ord, Sands Hall, Sedgfield.

KENNELS: Hardwick Park, Sedgfield.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Stockton, Darlington.

EASTBOURNE (25 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTERS: Col. W. A. Cardwell, The Moat Croft, Eastbourne.

HUNTSMAN: E. Brooker.

WHIP: J. Turner.

SECRETARY: Mr. R. Kirby Stapley, De Roos Road, Eastbourne.

KENNELS: Green Street, near Eastbourne.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Eastbourne, Hailsham, Seaford.

EGGESFORD (25 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. A. W. Luxton, Brushford, Wembworthy, N. Devon.

WHIP: J. Lyne.

SECRETARY: Major R. H. Dunning, Winkleigh, N. Devon.

KENNELS: Wembworthy, N. Devon.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Barnstaple, South Molton, Exeter.

ERIDGE (25 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Lord Henry Nevill, Eridge Castle, Sussex.

HUNTSMAN: Fred Hills.

WHIPS: A. Sheppard, T. Manning.

SECRETARY: Mr. F. W. Stone, Carlton Lodge, Tunbridge Wells.

KENNELS: Eridge Park, Sussex.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Tunbridge Wells, Crowborough.

ESKDALE AND ENNERDALE (15 couple).—Two a week.

MASTER: Mr. T. Dobson, Hillside, Eskdale, R.S.O., Cumberland.

HUNTSMAN: W. C. Porter.

WHIP: None engaged.

SECRETARY: Mr. A. Sim, Howbank, near Ravenglass, Cumberland.

KENNELS: Milkinstead, Eskdale.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Whitehaven, Barrow.

ESSEX (50 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

A COMMITTEE.

ACTING-MASTER: Mr. C. E. Green, Theydon Grove, Epping.

HUNTSMAN: J. Bailey.

WHIPS: H. Speke, T. Gray.

SECRETARY: Mr. A. Waters, Coopersale Lodge, Epping.

KENNELS: Harlow, Essex.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Harlow, Chelmsford, Ongar.

ESSEX AND SUFFOLK (43 couple).—Five days a fortnight.

MASTER: Mr. G. K. B. Norman, Mistley Place, Manningtree.

HUNTSMAN: T. Darch.

WHIPS: E. Watts, C. South.

SECRETARY: Mr. P. Crossman, Lawford House, Manningtree.

KENNELS: Stratford St. Mary, Colchester.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Colchester, Ipswich, Hadleigh.

ESSEX, EAST (40 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. E. Deacon, Sloe House, Halstead, Essex.

WHIPS: W. Davis, K.H., E. Cross, J. Holliday.

SECRETARY: Mr. R. D. Hill, Holfield Grange, Coggeshall.

KENNELS: Earls Colne, Essex.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Witham, Chelmsford, Braintree.

ESSEX UNION (50 couple).—Seven days a fortnight.

MASTER: Mr. E. T. Mashiter, Gatwick, Billericay, Essex.

HUNTSMAN: G. Tongue.

WHIPS: H. Willis, B. Goddard.

SECRETARY: Mr. William H. Corser, The Hyde, Ingatestone.

KENNELS: Great Burstad, Billericay.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Billericay, Brentwood, Chelmsford.

EWBANK'S, MR. (10 couple).—Various.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. W. A. Ewbank, Fulstow Hall, near Louth.

SECRETARY: Mr. W. G. Smyth, Elkington Hall, Louth.

WHIPS: Mr. W. Casswell, Mr. T. Mountain.

KENNELS: Fulstow Hall, near Louth, Lincs.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Louth.

EXMOOR (24 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. H. F. Brunskill, Oare House, Lynton, R.S.O., N. Devon.

WHIPS: W. Lock, K.H., G. Bickle.

SECRETARY: Mr. H. M. Ross, Seawood House, Lynton, N. Devon.

KENNELS: Oare, Lynton, N. Devon.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Porlock, Lynton, Minehead.

FARNDALE (9 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

A COMMITTEE.

HUNTSMAN: Richardson Shaw.

WHIP: None.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. Wright, Blakey Junction, Rosedale, Pickering.

A trencher-fed pack.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Kirbymoorside, Castleton.

FERNIE'S, MR. (54 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays, alternate Fridays and Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. C. W. B. Fernie, Keythorpe, Leicester.

HUNTSMAN: Thomas Isaac.

WHIPS: G. Turner, T. Isaac, junr.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. H. Douglass, Market Harborough.

KENNELS: Medbourne, Market Harborough.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Market Harborough, Leicester.

FITZHARDINGE'S, LORD (70 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, occasional bye.

MASTER: Lord Fitzhardinge, Berkeley Castle, Gloucestershire.

HUNTSMAN: W. Thompson.

WHIPS: W. Wilson, J. Scarrett.

SECRETARY: Mr. G. Whitcombe, Wotton, Gloucester.

KENNELS: Berkeley, Gloucester.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bristol, Cheltenham, Gloucester.

FITZWILLIAM (54 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. G. C. W. Fitzwilliam, Milton Park, Peterborough.

HUNTSMAN: W. Barnard.

WHIPS: G. Baker, R. Gibbons.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. Percival, Thorpe Road, Peterborough.

KENNELS: Milton Park, Peterborough.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Peterborough, Huntingdon, Stamford.

FITZWILLIAM'S, EARL (48 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Earl Fitzwilliam, Wentworth Woodhouse, Rotherham.

HUNTSMAN: Frank Bartlett.

WHIPS: T. Lockey, Edwin Friend.

SECRETARY (for Wire and Poultry Funds): Mr. G. A. Wilson, Harlshead

Chambers, Sheffield.

KENNELS: Wentworth, Rotherham.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Sheffield, Rotherham, Doncaster.

FLINT AND DENBIGH (35 couple).—Five a fortnight.

MASTERS: Mr. O. J. Williams, Cefn, St. Asaph, and Capt. R. Williams

Wynn, Dolben, St. Asaph.

HUNTSMAN: Mr. R. Williams Wynn.

WHIPS: A. Wilson K.H., J. Smith.

SECRETARY: Mr. R. E. Birch, Bryn Celyn, St. Asaph.

KENNELS: Cefn, St. Asaph.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Aberzele, Rhyl, Denbigh.

FOUR BURROW (354 couple).—Uncertain.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. John Williams, Scorrier, Cornwall.

WHIPS: Mr. A. J. Pape, K.H., A. Nicholls.

KENNELS: Scorrier, Cornwall.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Truro, Falmouth, Helston.

GALWAYS, VISCOUNT (55 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Viscount Galway, Serlby Hall, Bawtry,

Yorks.

WHIPS: S. Morgan, K.H., T. Vokins, C. Taylor.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. Dever, The Mantles, Ranskill, near Bawtry.

KENNELS: Serlby, Bawtry, Yorkshire.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Retford, Worksop, Bawtry.

GARTH (40 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. R. H. Gosling, Manor House, Waltham St. Lawrence,

Berks.

HUNTSMAN: H. Chandler.

WHIPS: E. Taylor, W. Morris.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. Simonds, Newlands, Arborfield, Reading.

KENNELS: Beechams Heath, Twyford, Berks.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Wokingham, Twyford, Reading.

GELLIGAER (124 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. David Jones, Wellfield, Dowlais.

WHIPS: W. Phillips, K.H., T. Jenkins.

SECRETARY: Mr. W. Thomas, 23, Wellington Street, Merthyr Tydfil.

KENNELS: Voehriw, South Wales.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Merthyr, Trebarris.

GLAMORGAN (45 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: The Mackintosh, Cottrell, Cardiff.

HUNTSMAN: George Cox.

WHIPS: H. Lush, F. Gallantry.

SECRETARY: Lt.-Colonel H. Homfray, Penline Castle, Cowbridge.

KENNELS: Llandough, Cowbridge.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cardiff, Bridgend.

GLENDALE (16 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. J. C. Fenwick, Berry Hill, Norham

R.S.O.

SECRETARY: Mr. Ivor Grey, Milfield, Alnwick.

KENNELS: Berry Hill, Norham.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Wooler, Yetholm.

GOATHLAND (10 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays. (Trencher Fed.)

A Committee (Field-Master, Mr. Henry Wilson, Thornhill, Goathland,

Yorks).

HUNTSMAN: Not appointed.

SECRETARY: Mr. L. Marwood, The Hags, Grosmont, Yorks.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Whithy, Pickering, Gainsborough.

GRAFTON (524 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Lord Southampton, Manor House, Thilling-

stone Lovell, Bucks.

WHIPS: J. Connell, K.H., F. Hayes.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. C. Hunter, Greens Park, Blakesley, Towcester.

KENNELS: Paulerspury, near Towcester.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Towcester, Brackley, Buckingham.

HAMBLETON, EAST (27½ couples).—Mondays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. H. S. Whalley-Tooker, Hinton Daubnay, Hordean.
 HUNTSMAN: J. Newman.
 WHIPS: T. Robbins, G. Bishop.
 SECRETARY: Mr. C. Connop, Hall Lands House, Eastleigh, Hants.
 KENNELS: Hinton Daubnay, Hordean.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Havant, Petersfield, Cosham.

HAMBLETON, WEST (33 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays, and occasional Mondays.
 MASTER: Capt. W. P. Standish, Marwell Hall, Winchester.
 HUNTSMAN: Fred Bell.
 WHIPS: C. Rickards, H. Marshall.
 SECRETARY: Mr. C. Connop, Hall Lands House, Eastleigh, Hants.
 KENNELS: Droxford, Bishop's Waltham.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Portsmouth, Bishops Waltham, Winchester.

H.H. (55 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTERS: Mr. F. Coryton, Manor House, Grafton, near Liss, and Mr. A. J. E. Jervoise, The Grange, Herriard, Basingstoke.
 HUNTSMAN: J. Cooper.
 WHIPS: J. Brown, A. Chandler.
 SECRETARY: Major R. E. Pole, Westfields, Wrecclesham, Farnham, Surrey.
 KENNELS: Ropley, Alresford, Hants.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Alresford, Aton, Winchester.

HARRINGTON'S, EARL OF (71 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Earl of Harrington, Elvaston Castle, Derby.
 WHIPS: G. Shepherd, K.H., W. Batchelor, E. Jolland.
 SECRETARY: Mr. C. S. Wright, Cranmer House, Nottingham.
 KENNELS: Gedding, Nottingham.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Nottingham, Newark, Mansfield.

HAYDON (30 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. C. T. Maling, Chesterwood Grange, Haydon Bridge, Northumberland.
 HUNTSMAN: Geo. Holland.
 WHIPS: Will Archer, Ned Archer.
 SECRETARY: Mr. C. F. Jackson, jun., The Park, Haydon Bridge, Northumberland.
 KENNELS: Chesterwood Grange, Haydon Bridge.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Hexham, Haltwhistle.

HEREFORDSHIRE, NORTH (25 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Sir William Cooke, Bart., Bockleton Court, Tenbury.
 HUNTSMAN: Walter Morgan.
 WHIP: Ted Hope.
 SECRETARY: Capt. E. L. Heygate, Buckland, Leominster.
 KENNELS: England's Gate, Bodenham, Leominster.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Hereford, Leominster, Bromyard.

HEREFORDSHIRE, SOUTH (30 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays alternate Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. F. G. Fry, Hoarwithy, Ross-on-Wye.
 HUNTSMAN: J. Brown.
 WHIP: Tom Morgan.
 SECRETARIES: Captain Symons, How Caple, Ross, and Mr. F. R. Green, Turnstone, Vowchurch.
 KENNELS: Wormclow, Tram Inn, Hereford.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Hereford, Ross, Monmouth.

HERTFORDSHIRE (56 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. T. Fenwick Harrison, Kingswolden Bury, Hitchin.
 HUNTSMAN: W. Wells.
 WHIPS: E. Jones, J. Davis.
 SECRETARY: Sir A. J. Reynolds, Digswell House, Welwyn.
 KENNELS: Kennebourne Green, Luton.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Harpenden, Luton, Hatfield.

HEYTHROP (52 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. Albert Brassey, M.P., Heythrop, Chipping Norton.
 HUNTSMAN: Charles Sturman.
 WHIPS: S. Morris, H. Adcock.
 SECRETARY: Mr. W. M. Foster Melliar, North Aston, Deddington, Oxon.
 KENNELS: Chipping Norton, Oxon.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Chipping Norton, Stow, Banbury.

HOLDERNESS (50 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. C. Brook, The Kennels, Etton, Beverley, Yorks.
 WHIPS: H. Rowston, K.H., H. Compston, W. Pittaway.
 SECRETARY: Mr. J. Simons Harrison, Ilurn Lodge, Beverley, Hull.
 KENNELS: Etton, Beverley, Yorks.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Beverley, Driffield, Hull.

HURSLEY (25 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. F. C. Swindell, The Cottage, Pitt, Winchester.
 WHIPS: E. Bailey, K.H., J. Sheffield.
 SECRETARY: The Hon. G. Hewitt, Field House, Hursley, Hants.
 KENNELS: Pitt, near Winchester.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Winchester, Southampton, Romsey.

HURWORTH (46 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. W. Forbes, The Hall, Hurworth, Darlington.
 HUNTSMAN: Frank Bishopp.
 WHIPS: F. Land, J. Rance, junr., W. Keen.
 SECRETARY: Mr. W. Williamson, Sockburn Hall, Darlington.
 KENNELS: Hurworth, Darlington.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Darlington, Northallerton, Croft,

ISLE OF WIGHT (27 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Col. Howard Brooke, Faircroft, Ryde.
 HUNTSMAN: Captain H. Collingwood Bertrain.
 WHIP: Tom Payne.
 SECRETARY: Mr. G. Young, East Standen, near Newport.
 KENNELS: Marvel, Newport.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newport, Ryde, Ventnor, Shanklin.

KENT, EAST (50 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. H. W. Selby Lowndes, Fox Lodge, Lyninge, S.O. Kent.
 WHIPS: Will West, J. Grant, P. Furr.
 SECRETARY: Col. Martindale Vale, Prospect House, Lyninge.
 KENNELS: Elham, Canterbury.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Canterbury, Ashford, Folkestone.

KENT, WEST (45 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. W. Gore Lambard, Bradbourne Hall, Sevenoaks.
 WHIPS: E. Boxall, K.H., David Davidson.
 SECRETARY: Mr. J. C. Hayward, Charlton, Farningham.
 KENNELS: Otford, Sevenoaks.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Farningham, Sevenoaks, Maidstone.

LAMERTON (25 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. Edmund Henn-Gennys, Townleigh, Lew Down, Devon.
 WHIP: C. Tucker.
 SECRETARY: Rev. C. V. P. Keene, Willestrew, Tavistock.
 KENNELS: Townleigh, Lew Down.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Tavistock, Launceston.

LECONFIELD'S, LORD (50 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Lord Leconfield, Petworth House, Sussex.
 HUNTSMAN: John Olding.
 WHIPS: H. Truss, T. Perry.
 KENNELS: Petworth, Sussex.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Midhurst, Pulborough, Horsham.

LEDBURY (50 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. R. C. Forster, The Upper Hall, Ledbury.
 (Acting Master: Mr. C. W. Bell, Eastnor.)
 HUNTSMAN: S. Burtenshaw.
 WHIPS: S. Kilbourn, E. Wells.
 SECRETARY: Mr. A. Stokes, Pauntley, Newent.
 KENNELS: Ledbury, Herefordshire.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newent, Gloucester, Malvern.

LEDBURY, NORTH (20 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. J. M. Currie, Fernie, Whitbourne, Worcester.
 WHIPS: Mr. J. F. Twinberrow, A. Mason, K.H.
 SECRETARY: Mr. A. Stokes, Pauntley, Newent.
 KENNELS: The White House, Suckley, Worcester.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Malvern, Bromyard, Worcester.

LEWES'S, CAPT. T. P. (14 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Captain T. P. Lewes, Ffosrhydgaled, Llanfarian.
 WHIP: David Davies, K.H.
 KENNELS: Ffosrhydgaled, near Aberystwith.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Aberystwith, Aberayron.

LLANGEINOR (15 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. Wm. Lewis, King's Head, Ogmore Vale.
 WHIPS: Evan James, J. James.
 SECRETARY: Mr. J. T. Salathiel, Hardy House, Pencord.
 KENNELS: Pentre Baily, Blackmill.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bridgend, Llantrisant.

LLANGIBBY (25 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. H. A. Williams, Penarth House, Llangibby.
 HUNTSMAN: Charles James.
 WHIP: Lewis Bevan.
 SECRETARY: Mr. Evelyn Waddington, Beech Hill, Usk.
 KENNELS: Llangibby, near Usk.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Usk, Newport, Pontypool.

LUDLOW (42 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, occasional Mondays.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Sir W. M. Curtis, Bart., Caynham Court, Ludlow.
 WHIPS: C. Johnson, K.H., J. Lawrence.
 SECRETARY: Mr. R. J. Dansey, The Sheet, near Ludlow.
 KENNELS: Caynham, near Ludlow.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ludlow, Tenbury, Knighton.

MARTINDALE'S, MR. (12½ couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. J. J. Martindale, High House, Kirkbride, Carlisle.
 WHIPS: John Todd, James Johnston.
 KENNELS: High House, Kirkbride, Carlisle.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Carlisle, Abbey Town, Silloth.

MELLBRAKE (12 couple).—Two a week.
 MASTER: Mr. John Benson, Cockermouth, Cumberland.
 HUNTSMAN: J. Banks.
 WHIP: A. Barnes.
 KENNELS: High Park, Loweswater, Cockermouth.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cockermouth, Keswick.

MEYNELL (55½ couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. Gerald Hardy, Foston Hall, Derby.
 HUNTSMAN: Fred Gosden.
 WHIPS: Wm. Orvis, J. Hewitt.
 SECRETARY: Mr. F. Cooper, Culland Hall, Brailsford, Derby.
 KENNELS: Sudbury, Derby.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Derby, Burton, Uttoxeter,

MIDDLETON'S, LORD (50 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Lord Middleton, Birdsall House, York.

HUNTSMAN: Geo. Leaf.

WHIPS: Arthur Brackley, Arthur Ash.

SECRETARY: Captain Unett, Huntingdon Hall, York.

KENNELS: Birdsall, York.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Malton, York, Scarborough.

MONMOUTHSHIRE (35 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Lt.-Col. E. B. Herbert, Plas Derwen, Abergavenny.

HUNTSMAN: J. Atkinson.

WHIP: F. Gooding.

SECRETARY: Capt. R. P. Rees, Hoelgerrig, Abergavenny.

KENNELS: Coldbrook Park, Abergavenny.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Abergavenny, Monmouth, Usk.

MORPETH (51½ couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. F. B. Atkinson, Gallowhill Hall, Morpeth.

HUNTSMAN: Frank Darc.

WHIPS: E. Solesbury, George Smith.

SECRETARY: Mr. W. C. Sample, Tritlington Hall, Morpeth.

KENNELS: River Green, Meldon.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Morpeth, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

NELL'S, MR. (23½ couple).—Two days a week.

MASTER: Mr. Herbert W. Nell, The Cottage, Dyrham, Chippenham.

HUNTSMAN: Fred Medcalf.

WHIPS: J. Ball, H. Grange.

KENNELS: Marshfield, Chippenham.

CONVENIENT CENTRE: Chippenham.

NEUADDFAWR (20 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Mrs. T. H. R. Hughes, Neuaddfawr, Lampeter.

HUNTSMAN: David Jones.

WHIP: Daniel Davies.

KENNELS: Neuaddfawr, Lampeter.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Lampeter, Llanbyther, Aberayron.

NEW FOREST (45 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. H. Martin Powell, Wilverley Park, Lyndhurst.

WHIPS: James Jones, K.H., W. Primmer.

SECRETARY: Mr. E. L. Wingrove, Langley House, Totton.

KENNELS: Furzy Lawn, Lyndhurst.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Lyndhurst, Southampton, Brockenhurst.

NEWMARKET AND THURLOW (28 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Sir William Hyde Parker, Bart., Melford Hall, Long Melford, Suffolk.

WHIPS: H. Goddard, K.H., E. Pearce.

SECRETARY: Mr. T. Purkis, Barham Hall, Linton, Cambs.

KENNELS: Great Bradley, Newmarket.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Haverhill, Newmarket, Clare.

NORFOLK, WEST (45 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. A. Collison, Mileham Hall, Litcham, Norfolk.

HUNTSMAN: C. Grant.

WHIPS: J. Rowe, K. Woodward.

SECRETARY: Mr. Somerville Gurney, North Runcton, King's Lynn.

KENNELS: Rougham, near Swaffham.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: King's Lynn, East Dereham, Swaffham.

OAKLEY (55 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. Esme Arkwright, Sharnbrook House, Sharnbrook, Beds.

HUNTSMAN: Joe Lawrence.

WHIPS: R. Lawrence, W. Jones.

SECRETARY: Mr. T. H. Barnard, Kempston Hoo, Bedford.

KENNELS: Milton Ernest, Bedford.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Be Hord, St. Neots, Olney.

OXFORDSHIRE, SOUTH (35 couple).—Mondays, Fridays, occasional Wednesdays.

MASTER: Mr. W. Henry Barber, Culham Court, Henley-on-Thames.

HUNTSMAN: W. Keyte.

WHIPS: A. Elliott, W. Hignam.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. Thomson, Woodperry House, near Oxford.

KENNELS: Stadthampton, Wallingford.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Oxford, Thame, Wallingford.

PANTGLAS (25 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Capt. Cecil Spence-Jones, Pantglas, Golden Grove, Carmarthenshire.

WHIPS: J. Jones, K.H., Lewis Williams.

KENNELS: Pantglas, Golden Grove, Carmarthenshire.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Carmarthen, Llandilo.

PEMBROKESHIRE (45 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Lord Kensington, St. Brides, Little Haven.

WHIPS: J. Hobbs, K.H., W. Griffiths.

SECRETARY: Mr. W. G. Eaton-Evans, Avalleben, Haverfordwest.

KENNELS: Slade, Haverfordwest.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Haverfordwest, Milford Haven.

PERCY (50 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. Alex. Browne, Callaly Castle, Whittingham.

WHIPS: C. Murkin, K.H., W. Skinner.

SECRETARY: Col. A. Marshall, Annstead, Chathill.

KENNELS: Greenig, Lesbury.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Anwick, Rothbury, Belford.

PLAS MACHYNLLETH (10 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Lord Herbert Vane-Tempest, Plas Machynlleth, N. Wales.

HUNTSMAN: David Hughes.

WHIP: William Hughes.

SECRETARY: Mr. R. D. Gillart, Llynllodd, Machynlleth.

KENNELS: Llynllodd, Machynlleth.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Machynlleth, Aberystwith,

PORTMAN'S, VISCOUNT (48 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Viscount Portman, Bryanston, Blandford.

HUNTSMAN: S. Dickinson.

WHIPS: A. Povey, W. Tomlinson.

KENNELS: Bryanston, Blandford.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Blandford, Shaftesbury.

PUCKERIDGE (65½ couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, and alternate Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. Edward E. Barclay, Brent Pelham Hall, Buntingford, Herts.

HUNTSMAN: E. Short.

WHIPS: R. Gardiner, W. Hale.

SECRETARIES: Major H. A. Anderson, Aspenden, Buntingford, and

Mr. G. W. H. Bowen, Ickleton Grange, Great Chesterford.

KENNELS: Brent Pelham, Buntingford, Herts.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Buntingford, Bishop's Stortford, Stevenage.

PYTCHELEY (57½ couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Lord Annaly, Holdenley House, Northampton.

HUNTSMAN: John Isaac.

WHIPS: George Walters, C. Morris.

SECRETARY: Capt. C. A. P. Iham, Brixworth, Northampton.

KENNELS: Brixworth, Northampton.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Northampton, Rugby, Market Harborough.

PYTCHELEY, WOODLAND (45 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. W. M. Wroughton, Brigstock, Thrapston.

HUNTSMAN: T. Carr.

WHIPS: C. Deane, George Gulliver.

SECRETARY: Capt. Sowerby, Sudborough, Thrapston.

KENNELS: Brigstock, Thrapston.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Kettering, Market Harborough.

QUORN (50 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Capt. F. Forester, Saxelbye Park, Melton Mowbray.

HUNTSMAN: Tom Bishopp.

WHIPS: P. Farrelly, Jack Molyneux.

SECRETARY: Mr. G. Tempest Wade, Birstall, Leicester.

KENNELS: Quorn, Loughborough.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Melton Mowbray, Leicester, Loughborough.

RADNORSHIRE AND WEST HEREFORDSHIRE (40 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. F. Milbank, Dunfield, Kington.

WHIPS: Fred Reeves, K.H., J. Joseph.

SECRETARY: Mr. A. Temple, Kington, Herefordshire.

KENNELS: Titley, Herefordshire.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Kington, Leominster, Presteign.

ROLLE'S, THE HON. MARK (32½ couple).—Mondays, Thursdays, occasional bye.

MASTER: The Hon. Mark Rolle, Stevenstone, Torrington.

FIELD MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. D. Hornodon.

WHIP: Charles Comins.

SECRETARY: Rev. J. Dene, Horwood, Bideford.

KENNELS: Rotheron Bridge, Torrington.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Barnstaple, Bideford, Torrington.

RUFFORD (50 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Earl Manvers, Thoresby Park, Ollerton.

HUNTSMAN: Tom Ashley.

WHIPS: George Travess, Fred Capon.

SECRETARY: Mr. F. Armstrong, Mansfield.

KENNELS: Willow, near Newark.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Mansfield, Ollerton, Newark.

SHERBROOKE'S, MR. (26 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. Penn C. Sherbrooke, Douthwaite Hall, Kirbymoorside, Yorks.

HUNTSMAN: Mr. R. Hill.

WHIPS: R. Sherwood, K.H., J. Sherwood.

SECRETARY: Mr. W. T. Brown, Yew Court, Scalby, R.S.O., Yorks.

KENNELS: Soainton, R.S.O., Yorks.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Scarborough, Malton, Pickering.

SHROPSHIRE, NORTH (52 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. Frank Bibby, Hardwieke Grange, Shrewsbury.

HUNTSMAN: Harry Morley.

WHIPS: H. Jones, S. Speed.

SECRETARY: Sir Walter Corbet, Bart., Acton Reynald, Salop.

KENNELS: Lee Bridge, Preston Brookhurst, Salop.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Shrewsbury, Wem, Whitechurch.

SHROPSHIRE, SOUTH (30 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays, occasional bye.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. J. Dun Waters, Plaisl Hall, Church Stretton.

WHIPS: Charles West, K.H., F. Roake.

SECRETARY: Sir Walter Smythe, Acton Barnell, Salop.

KENNELS: Plaisl, Church Stretton, Salop.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Shrewsbury, Church Stretton, Much Wenlock.

SILVERTON (16 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. F. W. Cuming, Parklands, Bradninch.

WHIP: J. Daire.

SECRETARY: Mr. H. F. Carr, Pinhoe, near Exeter.

KENNELS: Bradninch, Collington, Tiverton, Exeter.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Exeter, Tiverton.

SINNINGTON (26 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Viscount Helmsley, The Grange, Nawton, Yorkshire.

HUNTSMAN: W. Henly.

WHIP: F. Thompson.

SECRETARY: Mr. Alfred Pearson, Helmsley, Yorkshire.

KENNELS: Kirbymoorside, Yorks.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Pickering, Helmsley, Kirbymoorside.

SOMERSET, WEST (40 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. Dennis F. Boles, Watts House, Bishops Lydeard, near Taunton.

HUNTSMAN: William Tame.

WHIPS: J. Borge, C. Back.

SECRETARY: Mr. Henry T. Daniel, Park House, Over Stowey, Bridgwater.

KENNELS: Bowshayes, Carhampton, Taunton.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bridgwater, Dunster, Taunton.

SOUTHDOWN (45 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. R. W. McKergow, Twineham Grange, Haywards Heath.

HUNTSMAN: Ned Farmer.

WHIPS: S. Short, G. Webb.

SECRETARIES: Mr. F. Flint, High Street, Lewes, and Mr. K. Megan, 18 Chesham Road, Brighton.

KENNELS: Ringmer, Lewes, Sussex.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Brighton, Lewes, Uckfield.

SOUTHWOLD (52 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTERS: Mr. E. P. Rawnsley, Harrington Hall, Spilshy, and Mr. J. St. V. Fox, Girsly Manor, Lincoln.

HUNTSMAN: Mr. Rawnsley.

WHIPS: C. Gillson, C. Littleworth.

SECRETARY: Major Walker, Spilshy, Lincolnshire.

KENNELS: Belchford, Horncastle.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Louth, Spilshy, Horncastle.

STAFFORDSHIRE, NORTH (60 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: The Earl of Huntingdon, Madeley Manor, Newcastle, Staffordshire.

WHIP: W. Wheatley, R.H., B. Champion.

SECRETARY: Major L. Stamer, Betton House, Market Drayton.

KENNELS: Trentham, Stoke-on-Trent.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Stoke-on-Trent, Stafford, Crewe.

STAFFORDSHIRE, SOUTH (30 couple).—Five a fortnight.

MASTER: Mr. F. V. Forster, Longdon Grange, Rugeley.

HUNTSMAN: Ben Wilkinson.

WHIPS: W. Woodward, T. Codgrook.

SECRETARY: Col. J. H. Wilkinson, Ashfurlong Hall, Sutton Coldfield.

KENNELS: Longdon Grange, Rugeley.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Rugeley, Lichfield, Tamworth.

STANTON DALE (17 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. J. P. Knaggs, Harwood Dale, Scalby, R.S.O., Yorks.

FIELD MASTERS: Messrs. J. Newton and S. Wellburn—(north side)—and Mr. F. Harrison, Burniston—(south side).

HUNTSMAN: George Hill.

WHIP: E. Ward.

SECRETARY: Capt. Jackson, 3 Westfield Terrace, Scarborough.

KENNELS: Burniston, Scarborough.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Scarborough, Whitby.

SUFFOLK (39 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. F. Riley-Smith, Barton Hall, Bury St. Edmunds.

WHIPS: T. Enever, Will Last, J. Foreman.

SECRETARY: Colonel Joselyn, Fomham Priory, Bury St. Edmunds.

KENNELS: Bury St. Edmunds.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newmarket, Stowmarket.

SURREY, OLD (26½ couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. H. W. Boileau, Garston Hall, Kenley.

WHIPS: Chas. Gosden, K.H., R. Frowde.

SECRETARY: Mr. G. N. Merton, Petley's Downe, Kent.

KENNELS: Garston Hall, Kenley, Surrey.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Croydon, Purley, Oxted.

SURREY UNION (57 couple).—Tuesdays and Saturdays till Xmas; Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, after.

MASTER: Mr. F. G. Colman, Nork Park, Epsom.

HUNTSMAN: J. Hackett.

WHIPS: J. Overton, S. Dunn.

SECRETARY: Mr. F. H. Williams, Uplands, Leatherhead.

KENNELS: Great Bookham, near Leatherhead.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Leatherhead, Epsom, Guildford, Dorking.

SUSSEX, EAST (30 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTER: Hon. T. A. Brassey, Park Gate, Catsfield.

HUNTSMAN: Geo. Morgan.

WHIPS: W. Lockey, T. Whitley.

SECRETARY: Sir A. Ashburnham-Clement, Agmerhurst, Battle.

KENNELS: Catsfield, Battle.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Hastings, St. Leonards, Bexhill.

TAUNTON VALE (35 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays, occasional Wednesdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Capt. H. A. Kinglake, Wilton House, Taunton.

WHIPS: W. Daniels, E. Godby.

SECRETARY: The Rev. C. E. Chard, Hatch, Taunton.

KENNELS: Henlade, Taunton.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Taunton, Bridgwater, Chard.

TEDWORTH (50 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. W. J. Yorke Scarlett, Fyfield House, Andover.

WHIPS: F. Perrin, K.H., J. Goater.

SECRETARY: Col. Harnar, Ramridge, Andover.

KENNELS: Tedworth, Marlborough.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Andover, Salisbury, Marlborough.

TEME VALLEY (15 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. T. A. Lote, Brook House, Knighton.

WHIPS: Tom Bright, Tom Townshend.

SECRETARY: Mr. R. M. Butler, The Frydd, Knighton.

KENNELS: Brook House, Knighton.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Knighton, Llandrindod Wells.

THURSTONFIELD (10 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. Norman Sturdy, Thurstonfield, Carlisle.

HUNTSMAN: Mr. E. J. Jackson.

WHIPS: Joe Tyson, T. Tyson.

SECRETARY: Mr. Thomas Sturdy, Thurstonfield, Carlisle.

KENNELS: Thurstonfield, Carlisle.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Carlisle, Wigton.

TICKHAM (45 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

JOINT MASTERS: Mrs. W. E. Ridden, Oaks, Faversham, and Mr. G. P. E. Evans, Strode Park, Herne, Kent.

HUNTSMAN: Mr. Evans.

WHIPS: Tom Clark, A. Breed.

SECRETARY: The Hon. H. Miller Lade, Nash Court, Faversham.

KENNELS: Wrens Hill, Faversham.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Faversham, Sittingbourne, Maidstone.

TIVERTON (30 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays, occasional Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. W. Ludovic Inwin, Hayne House, Tiverton.

WHIP: G. Potter.

SECRETARY: Mr. L. Mackenzie, Bampton Street, Tiverton.

KENNELS: Bolham, Tiverton.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Wellington, Tiverton, Bampton.

TIVYSIDE (27 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Lt.-Col. A. C. Newland, Dolbaid, Henllan, R.S.O., Cardigan-shire.

HUNTSMAN: W. George.

WHIP: F. Summers.

SECRETARY: Mr. E. L. Bowen, Glanmadeni, Beulah R.S.O., Cardigan-shire.

KENNELS: Penylan, Boncath.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cardigan, Newcastle Emlyn, Llandysil.

TREDEGAR'S, LORD (29 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Lord Tredegar, Tredegar Park, Newport, Monmouth.

HUNTSMAN: D. Jordan.

WHIPS: C. Barrett, F. Mullen.

KENNELS: Tredegar Park, Newport.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newport, Cardiff.

TYNEDALE (50 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. John C. Straker, The Leazes, Hexham.

HUNTSMAN: George Jull.

WHIPS: Tom Higgins, W. Elliot.

SECRETARY: Mr. E. G. Barnett, Halton Castle, Corbridge-on-Tyne.

KENNELS: Stagshaw, Corbridge-on-Tyne.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Hexham, Newcastle, Corbridge.

TYNE, NORTH (10 couple).—Various.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. Thomas Robson, Bridgeford, Bellingham.

WHIPS: Mr. I. Dagg, Mr. H. Straker-Wilson.

SECRETARY: Mr. C. Tomlinson, Bellingham.

KENNELS: Bridgeford, Bellingham.

CONVENIENT CENTRE: Bellingham.

ULLSWATER (13 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. J. E. Hasell, Dalemah, Penrith.

HUNTSMAN: Joe Bowman.

SECRETARY: Mr. C. N. Arnison, St. Andrew's Place, Penrith.

KENNELS: Patterdale Hall, Penrith.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Appleby, Kendal, Keswick, Penrith.

UNITED (29 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays, occasional Mondays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. S. Vaughan Thomas, The Roveries, Churchstoke.

WHIPS: Fred Jones, C. Williams.

SECRETARY: Mr. R. H. Newill, Lydbury North, Salop.

KENNELS: Bishop's Castle.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bishop's Castle, Church Stretton.

V.W.H. (Earl Bathurst's) (32½ couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Earl Bathurst, Cirencester Park, Cirencester.

HUNTSMAN: James Cooper.

WHIPS: H. Downes, W. Boddington.

SECRETARY: Mr. P. Barnett, Watermoor House, Cirencester.

KENNELS: Cirencester.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cirencester, Tetbury, Malmesbury.

V.W.H. (Mr. T. B. Miller's) (45 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. T. Butt Miller, Manor House, Cricklade, Wilts.

WHIPS: Ned Judd, K.H., J. Ball.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. Gouldsmith, Ashton Keynes, Cricklade.

KENNELS: Cricklade, Wilts.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Swindon, Wootton Bassett.

VINE (33 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays, occasional Thursdays.

MASTER: Sir Richard Rycroft, Bart., Dummer House, Basingstoke.

HUNTSMAN: Tom Attrill.

WHIPS: A. Paxford, F. Perry.

SECRETARY: Mr. R. Blencowe, Skippetts House, Basingstoke.

KENNELS: Overton, Hants.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Basingstoke, Reading, Andover.

WARWICKSHIRE (65 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Lord Willoughby de Broke, Kineton, Warwickshire.

HUNTSMAN: Jack Brown.

WHIPS: W. Moore, E. Molyneux.

SECRETARY: Capt. Henry Alfrey, Barford, Warwickshire.

KENNELS: Kineton, Warwickshire.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Warwick, Banbury, Stratford-on-Avon, Alcester.

WARWICKSHIRE, NORTH (50 couple).—Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and sometimes Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. J. P. Arkwright, Hatton House, Warwick.

HUNTSMAN: J. Cockayne.

WHIPS: W. Jacklin, B. Hawtin.

SECRETARY: Capt. G. H. Nutting, Beausale, Warwick.

KENNELS: Kenilworth, Warwick.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Rugby, Leamington, Coventry.

WESTERN (22 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTERS: Mr. T. R. Bolitho and Major W. E. T. Bolitho, Trengwainton, Heamoor.

HUNTSMAN: Major Bolitho.

WHIP: Tom Mollard, K.I.I.

KENNELS: Madron, Heamoor, R.S.O., Cornwall.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Penzance, Hayle, St. Ives, Helston.

WHADDON CHASE (30½ couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. W. Selby Lowndes, Whaddon Hall, Bletchley.

HUNTSMAN: George Jones.

WHIPS: J. Jacobs, W. Hopkins.

SECRETARY: Mr. P. C. Lovett, Soulbury, Leighton Buzzard.

KENNELS: Whaddon, Bletchley.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Aylesbury, Leighton Buzzard.

WHEATLAND (30 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays, occasional bye.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Hon. Claud Hamilton-Russell, Cleobury Court, Bridgnorth.

WHIPS: Frank Clark, K.H., E. Cope.

SECRETARIES: Mr. S. T. Nicholls, Parlors Hall, Bridgnorth; and Mr. J. H. A. Whitley, Bourton, Much Wenlock.

KENNELS: Cleobury North, Bridgnorth.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bridgnorth, Much Wenlock.

WILTON (37 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays, occasional Saturdays.

MASTER: Capt. H. A. Cartwright, Uxwood, Handley, Salisbury.

HUNTSMAN: M. Sweetman.

WHIPS: W. Leverton, H. Ingram.

SECRETARY: Mr. H. Curtis Gallup, Wick House, Downton.

KENNELS: Wilton, Salisbury.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Wilton, Salisbury, Fordingbridge.

WILTS, SOUTH and WEST (45½ couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Major C. Jackson, Knapp House, Gillingham, Dorset.

HUNTSMAN: Sam Gillson.

WHIPS: F. Huckvale, L. Waller.

SECRETARY: Mr. R. Elling, West House, Warminster.

KENNELS: Sutton Veney, Warminster.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Warminster, Shaftesbury, Westbury.

WORCESTERSHIRE (52 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. C. R. Mills, Newland Hurst, Droitwich.

HUNTSMAN: Will Shepherd.

WHIPS: J. Maloney, G. Shepherd.

SECRETARY: Mr. E. Stanley Webb, Studley Court, Stourbridge.

KENNELS: Fernhill Heath, Worcester.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Worcester, Droitwich.

WYNN'S, SIR W. W. (50 couple).—Four a week.

MASTER: Sir Watkin Williams Wynn, Bart., Wynnstay, Rhunabon.

HUNTSMAN: H. Malden.

WHIPS: S. Dickens, A. Smethurst.

KENNELS: Wynnstay, Rhunabon, N. Wales.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Rhunabon, Wrexham, Whitchurch. [Saturdays.

YARBOROUGH'S, EARL OF (53 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Earl of Yarborough, Brocklesby Park, Lincolnshire.

HUNTSMAN: Jim Smith.

WHIPS: Tom Hayes, Will Shearman.

KENNELS: Brocklesby Park, Lincolnshire.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Brigg, Caistor, Grimsby.

YNYSFOR (10 couple).—Two a week, generally Wednesdays and Saturdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. Evan B. Jones, Ynysfor, Penrhyndeudraeth.

WHIP: Owen Ephraim, K.H.

KENNELS: Ynysfor, Penrhyndeudraeth.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Portmadoc, Criccieth, Festiniog. [days.

YORK AND AINSTY (50 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays.

MASTERS: Mr. E. Lyceet Green, Ashfield, York; and Mr. H. E. Preston, Middlethorpe Manor, Yorks.

HUNTSMEN: Joint Masters (each two days).

WHIPS: C. Haynes, H. Andrews.

SECRETARY: Capt. Savile, Woodside, Methley, Leeds.

KENNELS: Acomb, York.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: York, Knaresborough, Selby.

YSTRAD AND PENTYRCH (24 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Colonel Henry Lewis, Greenmeadow, Cardiff.

HUNTSMAN: T. Jones.

WHIP: A. Mathews.

SECRETARIES: Mr. G. T. Treharne, Llantrisant, Glamorgan; and Colonel James, Taff's Well.

KENNELS: Tongwynlais, Cardiff. [Saturdays.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cardiff, Pontypridd.

ZETLAND'S, MARQUIS OF (56½ couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Marquis of Zetland, Aske, Richmond, Yorkshire.

HUNTSMAN: B. Champion.

WHIPS: T. Harrison, J. Walker.

SECRETARY: Mr. H. Straker, Hartforth Grange, Richmond, Yorkshire.

KENNELS: Aske, Richmond, Yorkshire.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Croft Spa, Darlington, Richmond.

SCOTCH FOXHOUNDS.**BUCCLEUCH'S, DUKE OF** (57½ couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: The Duke of Buccleuch, Dalkeith Park, Midlothian.

HUNTSMAN: George Samuels.

WHIPS: Will Clee, H. South.

SECRETARY: Mr. W. D. Tait, Kelso, N.B.

KENNELS: St. Boswells, Roxburghshire.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Kelso, Melrose, Jedburgh.

DUMFRIESSHIRE (32½ couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTERS: Mr. E. J. Brook, Hoddam Castle, Ecclefechan, and Sir R. W. B. Jardine, Castlemilk, Lockerbie.

HUNTSMAN: George H. Jones.

WHIPS: C. Hutchins, J. Curtis.

SECRETARY: Mr. John Hayes, Dornmont Grange, Lockerbie.

KENNELS: Leafield, Lockerbie.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dumfries, Annan, Lockerbie. [Saturdays.

EGLINTON'S, EARL OF (50 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Earl of Eglinton, Eglinton Castle, Irvine, Ayrshire.

HUNTSMAN: Jim Bevan.

WHIPS: W. Hewitt, T. McBride.

SECRETARY: Mr. D. Shaw, 5 Wellington Square, Ayr.

KENNELS: Eglinton, Kilwinning, Ayrshire, N.B.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ayr, Irvine, Kilhuarnock.

ESKDAILL (12 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. J. J. Paterson, Terra, Langholm.

HUNTSMAN: W. Irving.

WHIP: Mr. J. J. Paterson.

SECRETARY: Mr. T. Gaskell, Murtholm, Langholm.

KENNELS: Whitshields, Langholm, N.B.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Langholm, Longtown.

FIFE (44 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Capt. John Gilmour, Woodburne, Ceres, Fife.

HUNTSMAN: J. Stratton.

WHIPS: W. Handley, Harry Tudor.

SECRETARY: Mr. D. Osborne, Bellmore, Cupar.

KENNELS: Harlsynd, Ceres, Cupar, N.B.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cupar, St. Andrews, Kirkcaldy.

JED FOREST (18 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. T. Robson Scott, Lanton Tower, Jedburgh.

WHIP: J. Muriel.

SECRETARY: Mr. F. R. Turner, Mervinslaw, Jedburgh.

KENNELS: Lanton Tower, near Jedburgh.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Jedburgh, Kelso, Hawick.

LANARKSHIRE AND RENFREWSHIRE (30 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. George Barclay, Thornhill, Johnstone, N.B.

HUNTSMAN: Will Webster.

WHIPS: E. Parker, F. Beecham.

SECRETARY: Mr. G. J. Kidston, Finlaystone, Langbank.

KENNELS: Houston, Johnstone.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Glasgow, Paisley, Greenock.

LIDDESDALE (5 couple).—Two a week.

MASTER AND HUNTSMAN: Mr. John T. Dodd, Riccarton, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

WHIPS: Mr. J. Hall, Mr. W. Elliott.

SECRETARY: Mr. A. S. Murray-Stavert, Saughtree, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

KENNELS: Riccarton, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newcastle-on-Tyne, Canonbie.

LINLITHGOW AND STIRLINGSHIRE (51 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTERS: Sir Robert and Messrs. Fred and Frank Usher.

ACTING-MASTER: Mr. Fred Usher, Ingliston, Ratho Station, N.B.

HUNTSMAN: Tom Hall.

WHIPS: F. Hoxford, Will Scott.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. H. Rutherford, 19, Young Street, Edinburgh.

KENNELS: Golthall, Corstorphine, N.B.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Edinburgh, Linlithgow.

NORTHUMBERLAND AND BERWICKSHIRE (50 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Sir James Miller, Bart., Manderston, Duns, N.B.

HUNTSMAN: Fred Kinch.

WHIPS: J. Daniel, H. French.

SECRETARIES: Capt. V. G. Tippinge, Morris Hall, Norham-on-Tweed, and Mr. C. W. Forbes, Ninewells House, Chirnside, N.B.

KENNELS: Briery Hill, Edrom, Berwickshire.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Berwick, Duns, Coldstream.

SCOTT-PLUMMER'S, MR. (24 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTERS: Messrs. C. H. and J. Scott-Plummer, Sunderland Hall, Selkirk.

HUNTSMAN: Mr. C. H. Scott-Plummer.

WHIPS: J. Rance, K.H., Mr. J. Scott-Plummer.

KENNELS: Sunderland Hall, Selkirk.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Melrose, Galashiels, Selkirk.

IRISH FOXHOUNDS.

BROOKE'S, MR. GEORGE (20 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. George Brooke, Ballyfad, Inch, Co. Wexford.

WHIPS: W. Freeman, E. Hutton.

KENNELS: Ballyfad, Inch, Co. Wexford.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Wicklow, Rathdrum, Arklow.

CARBERY, WEST (17 couple).—Three days a fortnight.

MASTER: Miss Edith G. Somerville, Drishane, Skibbereen, Co. Cork.

HUNTSMAN: Tim Crowley.

WHIP: J. McCarthy.

SECRETARY: The O'Donovan, Liss Ard, Skibbereen, Co. Cork.

KENNELS: Near Drishane, Skibbereen, Cork.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Skibbereen, Glandore, Union Hall.

CARLOW (30 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. W. E. Grogan, Moyle, Carlow.

WHIPS: Tom Taylor, M. Fitzpatrick.

SECRETARY: Mr. Stewart Duckett, Russellstown, Carlow.

KENNELS: Moyle, Carlow.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Carlow, Tullow, Bagnalstown.

COSHMORE AND COSHBRIE (22 couple).—Two a week.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Capt. Rowland Holroyd Smyth, Ballynatray, Youghal.

WHIP: W. Wootton, K.H.

SECRETARY: Capt. W. M. P. Maxwell, Moore Hill, Tallow, Co. Waterford.

KENNELS: Ballynatray, Youghal.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Youghal, Tallow, Lismore.

DE CLIFFORD'S, LORD (35 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTER: Lord De Clifford, Dalgan Park, Shrule, Tuam.

HUNTSMAN: F. Claydon.

WHIPS: L. Keating, P. Togher.

SECRETARY: Mr. Allan J. J. Algie, Liskilleen, Ballinrobe, Co. Mayo.

KENNELS: Dalgan Park, Shrule, Tuam.

CONVENIENT CENTRE: Ballinrobe.

DUHALLOW (41 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, alternate Mondays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. G. N. E. Baring, Avondhu, Mallow.

WHIPS: E. Guilwell, K.H., G. Judd.

SECRETARY: Major Bell, Firville, Mallow.

KENNELS: Avondhu, Mallow.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Mallow, Fermoy, Cork.

FITZWILLIAM'S, EARL, AND ISLAND (48 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Earl Fitzwilliam, Coollatin Park, Co. Wicklow.

SECRETARIES: Mr. D. H. Doyne, Wells, Gorey, Co. Wicklow, and Captain Reynolds, Carnew Castle, Co. Wicklow.

WHIPS: Harry Kinch, K.H., T. Walker.

KENNELS: Coollatin, Shillelagh, Co. Wicklow.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Wicklow, Arklow, Gorey.

GALWAY, CO. (58 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, occasional Fridays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. Isaac Bell, The Kennels, Craughwell.

WHIPS: T. Hawtin, K.H., Jack Goddard.

SECRETARY: Mr. F. Shawe-Taylor, Castle Taylor, Ardahan.

KENNELS: Craughwell, Co. Galway.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Tuam, Athenry, Ballinasloe.

GALWAY, EAST (30 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. W. Loraine Bell, Lismany, Ballinasloe.

WHIPS: J. Higman, P. Welsh.

SECRETARIES: Captain A. E. Bacon, Lismany, Ballinasloe, and Mr. T. D. Seymour, Ballymore Castle, Ballinasloe.

KENNELS: Lismany, Ballinasloe.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ballinasloe, Athlone, Portumna.

KILDARE (50 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: The Baron de Roleck, Gowran Grange, Naas.

WHIPS: J. Allen, K.H., C. Healy, B. Hutchinson.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. Whiteside Dame, Abbeyfield, Naas.

KENNELS: Jigginstown, Naas.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dublin, Naas, Newbridge.

KILKENNY (50 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, occasional bye.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. H. R. Langrishe, Knocktopher Abbey, Kilkenny.

WHIPS: T. Garratt, K.H., P. McGrath.

SECRETARY: Mr. W. Pulsforth, Greenan House, Thomastown.

KENNELS: Knocktopher, Co. Kilkenny.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Kilkenny, Thomastown, Callan.

KING'S COUNTY (45 couple).—generally Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. Assheton Biddulph, Moneyguynen, Birr.

WHIP: Fred Cooper.

SECRETARY: Mr. G. Enraght Moony, The Doon, Athlone.

KENNELS: Moneyguynen, Birr.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Tullamore, Birr, Moate.

LAMBERT'S, MR. (25½ couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. N. H. Lambert, Dysertmore, New Ross.

WHIP: M. Brian.

SECRETARY: Mr. G. P. Newport, Rockview, Inistogie, Co. Kilkenny.

KENNELS: Dysertmore, New Ross.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: New Ross, Waterford.

LIMERICK, CO. (42 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Major F. H. Wise, Clonshire, Adare, Co. Limerick.

WHIPS: R. Frost, K.H., J. Woodyatt.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. H. Power, Lifford, Limerick.

KENNELS: Clonshire, Adare, Co. Limerick.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Croom, Adare, Limerick.

LOUTH (40 couple).—Five a fortnight (Wednesdays, Fridays, and Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays).

MASTER: Mr. W. de Salis Filgate, Lissrenny, Ardee.

HUNTSMAN: Chas. Dean.

WHIPS: J. Corrin, P. Matthews, R. Corrin.

SECRETARY: Mr. Malcolm B. Murray, Rahanna, Ardee.

KENNELS: Lissrenny, Ardee.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Drogheda, Louth.

MEATH (72 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. John Watson, Bective, Co. Meath.

WHIPS: G. Hastings, K.H., W. Fitzsimons, E. Louch, A. Barker, W. Cornelia.

SECRETARY: Mr. George Murphy, The Grange, Dunsany.

KENNELS: Bective, near Navan.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dublin, Navan, Dunshaughlin, Kells.

MUSKERRY (40 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. H. Leader, Forest, Coachford, Co. Cork.

WHIP: J. Welch, K.H., J. Lynch.

SECRETARY: Capt. J. E. H. Herrick, Bellmount, Crookstown, Co. Cork.

KENNELS: Forest, Coachford, Co. Cork.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cork, Bandon, Macroom.

ORMOND (60 couple).—Four a week.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Sir J. Hume-Campbell, Bart., Sharavogue S.O., King's County.

WHIPS: H. Choules, J. Murphy.

SECRETARY: Mr. G. Whitfield, Modreeny, Cloughjordan, Co. Tipperary.

KENNELS: Rathmore, Sharavogue S.O., King's County.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Nenagh, Cloughjordan, Birr.

QUEEN'S COUNTY AND CASTLECOMER (32 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. H. Knox-Browne, Massford, Castlecomer.

WHIPS: Tom. McAllister, K.H., P. Bannon.

SECRETARIES: Sir Hunt Walsh, Bart., Ballykilcavan, Stradbally, Queen's County, and Mr. W. Dobbs, The Cottage, Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny.

KENNELS: Massford, Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Kilkenny, Maryborough, Athy.

SOUTH UNION (24 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Capt. Francis J. Hodder, Ballea Castle, Carrigaline, Co. Cork.

HUNTSMAN: J. Allen.

WHIP: W. Buckley.

SECRETARY: Mr. F. G. Hayes, Crosshaven, Co. Cork.

KENNELS: Ballea Castle, Carrigaline, Co. Cork.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cork, Kinsale, Crosshaven.

TIPPERARY (55 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and often a bye-day.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. Richard Burke, Grove, Fethard, Tipperary.

WHIPS: P. Tierney, T. Ryan.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. C. Higgins, Ardsallagh, Fethard.

KENNELS: Grove, Fethard, Tipperary.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Clonmel, Cahir, Cashel.

UNITED HUNT CLUB (45 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, occasional bye.

MASTER: Mr. W. Nicholson, Killiora Lodge, Glounthaune, Co. Cork.

HUNTSMAN: D. McCarthy.

WHIPS: R. Easterby, D. Riordan.

SECRETARY: Col. W. G. Collis, Barrymore Lodge, Castle Lyons, Co. Cork.

KENNELS: Middleton, Co. Cork.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Middleton, Cork, Fermoy.

WATERFORD (38 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. A. P. Pollok, Eastlands, Tramore, Waterford.

WHIPS: Will Haynes, J. Walsh.

SECRETARY: Mr. T. W. Anderson, Gracedieu, Waterford.

KENNELS: Tramore, Co. Waterford.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Waterford, Tramore.

WESTMEATH (55 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, occasionally Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. H. Whitworth, Annebrook, Mullingar.

HUNTSMAN: Mr. G. Heigham.

WHIPS: T. Jenner, Charles Skipwith.

SECRETARY: Capt. P. O'Hara, Mornington, Crookedwood, Mullingar.

KENNELS: Culleen, Mullingar.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Mullingar, Athlone, Killucan.

WEXFORD (31 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER and HUNTSMAN: Mr. R. W. Hall Dare, Newtownbarry House, Newtownbarry.

WHIPS: H. Norman, R. Cuffe.

SECRETARY: Mr. E. Blacker, Woodbrook, Killanne, Enniscorthy.

KENNELS: Newtownbarry, Co. Wexford.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Enniscorthy, Wexford, New Ross.

ENGLISH HARRIERS.

ALDENHAM (18 couple).—Hunting days, three a fortnight.

MASTER: Mr. H. S. Bailey, Cuckmans, St. Albans.

KENNELS: Chiswell Green, near St. Albans.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: St. Albans, Hatfield.

AMORY'S, SIR JOHN (17 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Sir John Amory, Bart., Knights-layes Court, Tiverton.

(Acting-Master, Mr. Charles Carew, Collipriest House, Tiverton).

KENNELS: Collipriest, Tiverton.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Tiverton, Wellington.

ANGLESEY (22 couple).—Five days a fortnight, with occasional bye.

MASTER: Mr. G. H. Lambert, Panygraig, Pentraeth, Anglesey.

KENNELS: Tyndonan, Llangefni.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Llanerchymedd, Beaumaris, Bangor.

ASHBURTON (15 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTERS: A Committee (Chairman, Mr. R. B. Berry, Kenwyn, Ashburton; Huntsman, Mr. B. Hext).

KENNELS: Rew, Ashburton.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ashburton, Newton, Buckfastleigh.

ASHFORD VALLEY (20 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. John C. Buckland, Goldwell, Great Chard, Ashford.

KENNELS: Goldwell, Great Chard, Ashford.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ashford, Folkestone.

ASPULL (20 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER:—Mr. A. L. Ormrod, Brinscall Hall, Brinscall, Lancs.

KENNELS: Whittle-le-Woods, Chorley, Lancs.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Wigan, Preston.

AXE VALE (14 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. John I. Scarbrough, Coly House, Colyford, Devon.

KENNELS: Seaton, Devon.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Seaton, Axminster, Honiton.

BADLESMERE (Foot) (10½ couple).—Mondays, Fridays, and occasional Wednesdays.

MASTER: The Rev. C. Morgan Kirby, Badlesmere Rectory, near Faversham, Kent.

KENNELS: Badlesmere Rectory, near Faversham, Kent.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Faversham, Sittingbourne, Wye.

BARNSTAPLE & NORTH DEVON (16 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTERS: A Committee.

KENNELS: Sowden, Barnstaple.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Barnstaple, Ilfracombe.

BATH AND COUNTY (17½ couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. Henry Hunter, Cobden House, Bath.

KENNELS: Claverton Down, Bath.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bath, Chippenham.

BENTLEY (24 couple).—Five days a fortnight.

MASTER: Mrs. Cheape, Bentley Manor, Redditch.

KENNELS: Bentley Manor, Redditch.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bromsgrove, Droitwich.

BEXHILL (20 couple) Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. R. Guy Everard, Egerton Park, Bexhill.

KENNELS: Cooden Down, Little Common, Bexhill.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Hastings, Bexhill.

BIGGLESWADE (14 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTERS: Mr. George Race, Road Farm, Biggleswade, and Mr. G. F. Archdale, Ashwell, Herts.

KENNELS: Ashwell, Herts.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Biggleswade, Hitchin.

BODDINGTON (23 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. J. S. Gibbons, Boddington Manor, Cheltenham.

KENNELS: Boddington, Cheltenham.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cheltenham, Gloucester.

BRECONSHIRE (16 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. C. H. de Winton, Buckingham House, Brecon.

KENNELS: Brecon.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Talgarth, Bronllys.

BRIGHTON AND BROOKSIDE (20 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Major Howard V. Welch, Southdown House, Patcham, Sussex.

KENNELS: Pyecombe, Patcham, Sussex.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Brighton, Lewes.

BUCKS, NORTH (19 couple).—Fridays, and occasional bye-day.

MASTER: Mr. Sidney J. Green, The Larches, Luton, Beds.

KENNELS: Dagnall, Bucks.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bletchley, Dunstable.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE (15 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Lord Gerard, Garswood, Newton-le-Willows, Lancs.

KENNELS: Cherry Hinton Road, Cambridge.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newmarket, Royston.

CARPENTER'S, Mr. (14 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. E. O. Carpenter, 35, The Embankment, Bedford.

KENNELS: Bedford.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ampthill, Woburn, Bedford.

CHILWORTH AND STONEHAM (25 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. J. W. Fleming, Chilworth Manor, Romsey, Hants.

KENNELS: Chilworth Manor, Romsey, Hants.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Winchester, Romsey.

CLIFTON (Foot Harriers) (15 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTERS: A Committee (Hon. Sec., Mr. A. C. May, Avon House, Stoke Bishop, Bristol).

KENNELS: Yatton, Somerset.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bristol, Clevedon.

COLLINGWOOD'S, MR. (12½ couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. J. C. Collingwood, Cornhill House, Cornhill-on-Tweed.

KENNELS: Cornhill-on-Tweed.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Coldstream, Cornhill-on-Tweed.

COLNE VALLEY (10 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. Henry Lockwood, Blethelm House, Linthwaite, Huddersfield. (Deputy-Master, Mr. John Vickerman).

KENNELS: Blackrock Mills, Linthwaite, Huddersfield.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Huddersfield, Halifax.

COTLEY (17½ couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. Edward Eames, Broad Oak, Chard.

KENNELS: Broad Oak, Chard.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Chard, Axminster.

CRABEN (27 couple).—Three days a week.

MASTER: Mr. M. Amcotts-Wilson, Eskilton House, Gargrave-in-Craven, Yorks.

KENNELS: Gargrave-in-Craven, Yorks.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Skipton, Burnley.

CRICKHOWELL (20 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. John A. Doyle, Pendaren, Crickhowell.

KENNELS: Great Oak, Crickhowell.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Talgarth, Abergavenny.

CUMBERLAND BRAMPTON (10 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays.

MASTERS: Major G. A. H. Mounsey-Heyham, 12 Cavendish Place, Carlisle, and Mr. H. B. Broadhurst, Houghton House, Carlisle.

KENNELS: The Nook, Rose Hill, Carlisle.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Carlisle, Penrith.

DARLINGTON (Foot Harriers) (12 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: A Committee (Hon. Sec., Mr. G. Robinson, Horse Market, Darlington.)

KENNELS: Honnlegate, Darlington.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Darlington, Bishop Auckland.

DART VALE (20 couple).—Mondays, Fridays, and occasionally Thursdays.

MASTER: Mr. Leigh Densham, Buckette, Totnes, Devon.

KENNELS: Staverton, near Totnes.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newton Abbot, Totnes.

DOVE VALLEY (17 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. Walter C. Tinsley, Mayfield, Ashbourne.

KENNELS: Mayfield, Ashbourne.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ashbourne, Leek, Derby.

DOWNHAM (15 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. A. E. Birch, Watlington Hall, Downham Market.

KENNELS: Tottenhill, King's Lynn.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: King's Lynn, Downham Market.

DUNSTON (32 couple).—Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Capt. W. H. B. Long, Hill House, Saxlingham, near Norwich.

KENNELS: Saxlingham, Norwich.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Wymondham, Norwich.

EPPING FOREST (15½ couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

A Committee (Field-Master: Mr. W. H. Sewell, Epping Place, Epping, Essex).

KENNELS: Theydon Place, Epping, Essex.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Epping, Harlow, Ongar.

EXETER'S MARQUIS OF (21 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: The Marquis of Exeter, Burghley House, Stamford.

KENNELS: Burghley House, Stamford.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Peterborough, Stamford, Market Deeping, Bourne.

FORDCOMBE (10 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTERS: Mr. W. Hollamby, Hickman's Farm, Fordcombe, and Mr. W. E. Unguhart, Castle Hotel, Tunbridge Wells.

KENNELS: Fordcombe, Tunbridge Wells.

CONVENIENT CENTRE: Tunbridge Wells.

FOWEY (13 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. J. de C. Treffry, Penarwyn, Par Station, Cornwall.

KENNELS: Par Moor, Fowey, Cornwall.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Lostwithiel, St. Austell.

FURLONG (15 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays, occasional bye.

MASTER: Mr. L. T. S. Newbury, Gratnar, North Bovey, Moretonhampstead.

KENNELS: Gratnar, North Bovey.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Chagford, Moretonhampstead.

GIFFORD'S, LADY, (25 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Lady Gifford, Old Park, Chichester.

KENNELS: Old Park, Chichester.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Havant, Chichester.

GLAISDALE (10 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTER: Mr. Zachariah Brown, Prospect House, Glaisdale, Yorks.

KENNELS: Glaisdale Hall, Grosmont, Yorks.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Castleton, Whitby.

HADLOW (Foot Harriers) (15 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. J. P. S. Hervey, Faulknors, Hadlow, Kent.

KENNELS: Faulknors, Hadlow, Kent.

CONVENIENT CENTRE: Tonbridge.

HAILSHAM (Foot Harriers) (20 couple).—Mondays, alternate Wednesdays and Thursdays, and Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. A. B. Campbell, Priesthaus, Hankham, Hastings.

KENNELS: Hailsham, Sussex.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Hailsham, Eastbourne.

HALDON (15 couples).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Mr. Baron D. Webster, Newland, Newton Abbot.

KENNELS:—Oakford Lawn, Kingsteington, Devon.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Torquay, Newton Abbot, Teignmouth.

- HALLAM AND ECCLESHALL** (15 couple).—Three days a week.
MASTER: Mr. Arthur Dixon, 56, The Wicker, Sheffield.
KENNELS: Stephen Hill, Hallam, Sheffield.
CONVENIENT CENTRE: Sheffield.
- HAMILTON** (18 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.
MASTER: The Lady Mary Hamilton, Easton Park, Wickham Market, Suffolk. (Huntsman: Mr. H. Beard.)
KENNELS: Easton Park, Wickham Market.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Framlingham, Woodbridge.
- HAWKINS'S Mr. H.**, (30 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays.
MASTER: Mr. Henry Hawkins, Everdon Hall, near Daventry.
KENNELS: Everdon Hall, near Daventry.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Northampton, Daventry.
- HENHAM** (23 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: The Earl of Stradbroke, Henham, Wangford, Suffolk.
KENNELS: Henham, Wangford.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Beccles, Bungay.
- HIGH PEAK** (22½ couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: Colonel Robertson-Aikman, Tor Dale, Matlock.
KENNELS: High Peak, Bakewell.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Matlock, Bath.
- HOLCOMBE** (20 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: Major H. M. Harcastle, Bradshaw Hall, near Bolton.
KENNELS: Holcombe, Raundsbottom, Lancs.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bolton, Bury, Darwen.
- HOLMFIRTH, HONLEY AND MELTHAM** (12 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays, occasionally Thursdays.
MASTER: A Committee (Hon. Sec., Mr. Frank Lee), Damhouse, Holmfirth, near Huddersfield.
KENNELS: A trencher-fed pack.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Huddersfield, Halifax.
- HUSSEY'S, MR.** (12 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.
MASTER: Mr. Arthur E. Hussey, Netheravon, near Salisbury.
KENNELS: Netheravon, Wilts.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Salisbury, Amesbury.
- IPING** (20).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
MASTER: Mr. C. E. A. W. Hamilton, Iping House, Midhurst, Sussex.
KENNELS: Iping, Midhurst, Sussex.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Petersfield, Midhurst.
- KENT, WEST** (15 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: Mr. Lewis P. Kekewich, Lamorby Park, near Sidcup.
KENNELS: Lamorby Park, near Sidcup.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bromley, Sevenoaks.
- KIRKHAM** (20 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: Mr. C. Addison Birley, Bartle Hall, Preston, Lancs.
KENNELS: Trayles, near Kirkham, Lancs.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Lytham, Preston.
- LETHBRIDGE'S, MR.** (16 couple).—Two days a week.
MASTER: Mr. E. G. Baron-Lethbridge, Tregeare, Egloskerry, N. Cornwall.
KENNELS: Tregeare, Egloskerry.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Camelford, Launceston.
- LLANGYFELACH** (16 couple).—Two days a week.
MASTER: Mr. Theodore Gibbins, Glynvelin, Neath.
KENNELS: Glynvelin, Neath.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Swansea, Neath.
- LLOYD-PRICE'S, MR.** (17½ couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
MASTER: Mr. M. L. W. Lloyd-Price, Bryn Cothi, Nantgaredig, S. Wales.
KENNELS: Bryn Cothi, Nantgaredig.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Carmarthen, Llanybyther.
- MERCER'S, MR.** (20 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.
MASTER: Mr. Arthur L. Mercer, Rodmersham, near Sittingbourne.
KENNELS: Rodmersham, near Sittingbourne.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Faversham, Sittingbourne.
- MILFORD, GODALMING & DISTRICT** (20 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, occasional Fridays.
MASTER: Colonel F. Reid, Woodhay, Milford, Godalming.
KENNELS: Lower Mouselill, Godalming.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Godalming, Guildford.
- MINEHEAD** (15 couple).—Two days a week.
MASTER: Mr. L. E. Bligh, Cambria House, Minehead.
KENNELS: White Cross, Minehead, Somerset.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Minehead, Porlock.
- MODBURY** (17 couple).—Twice a week.
MASTER: The Rev. R. W. Honey, Modbury, Ivybridge, S. Devon.
KENNELS: Modbury, Ivybridge.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ivybridge, Kingsbridge.
- MONTGOMERYSHIRE, NORTH** (16 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays; after Xmas, Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: Mr. Herbert Connop, Llanfyllin, S.O., Montgomeryshire.
KENNELS: Llanfyllin, S.O., Montgomeryshire.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Oswestry, Welshpool.
- NETTLECOMBE** (21½ couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
MASTER: Sir W. J. Trevelyan, Bart., Nettlecombe Court, Taunton.
KENNELS: Nettlecombe Court, Taunton.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Williton, Dunster.
- NORFOLK, NORTH** (23 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
MASTER: Colonel Barclay, Hanworth Hall, Norfolk.
KENNELS: Hanworth, Norfolk.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cromer, Aylsham.
- NORTHMOOR** (12 couple).—Various hunting days.
MASTER: Mr. Gilbert A. H. Wills, Northmoor, Dulverton.
KENNELS: Northmoor, Dulverton, Somerset.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dulverton, Bampton.
- NORTH TYNE** (15 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.
MASTERS: Messrs. J. Robson and A. M. Allgood, Nunwick, Humshaugh-on-Tyne.
KENNELS: Nunwick, Humshaugh-on-Tyne.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Hexham, Bellingham.
- PENDLE FOREST** (24 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: Mr. J. R. Aspinall, Standen Hall, Clitheroe.
KENNELS: Waddington, Clitheroe, Lancs.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Clitheroe, Blackburn.
- PENISTONE** (21 couple).—Five a fortnight.
MASTER: Mr. J. B. Durrans, Phoenix Cottage, Thurston, Penistone.
KENNELS: A trencher-fed pack.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Barnsley, Sheffield.
- PLASGELER** (15 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: Mr. W. Lewes, Plasgeler, Llandysil, S. Wales.
KENNELS: Llysnewydd, Llandysil.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newcastle, Emlyn.
- PLAS MACHYNLETH** (10 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
MASTER: Lord Herbert Vane Tempest, Plas Machynlleth, North Wales.
KENNELS: Llynhoedd, Machynlleth, North Wales.
CONVENIENT CENTRE: Machynlleth.
- PRYSE-RICE'S, MRS.** (20 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: Mrs. Pryse-Rice, Llwynybrann, Llandovery, South Wales.
KENNELS: Llwynybrann, Llandovery.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Llandovery, Llanwrtyd.
- QUARME** (16 couple).—Two days a week.
MASTER: Mr. Morland Greig, Edgcott, Exford, Taunton.
KENNELS: Exford, near Taunton.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dulverton, Porlock.
- RIPLEY & KNAPHILL** (17 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
MASTER: Mr. J. Hutchinson Driver, Melrose Cottage, Horsell, Woking.
KENNELS: Merrist Wood, Worplesdon, Surrey.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Woking, Guildford.
- ROATH COURT** (18 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
MASTER: Mr. Charles H. Williams, Roath Court, Cardiff.
KENNELS: Roath Court, Cardiff.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Newport, Cardiff.
- ROCHDALE** (20 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays, and occasionally Mondays.
MASTER: Mr. John T. Pilling, Thrums, Rochdale.
KENNELS: Cronkeyshaw, near Rochdale.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Milnrow, Middleton.
- ROCKWOOD** (19 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: Mr. C. S. Tinker, Meal Hill, Hepworth, Huddersfield.
KENNELS: Meal Hill, Hepworth, Huddersfield.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Huddersfield, Wakefield.
- ROMNEY MARSH** (20 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
MASTER: Mr. Frank Green, Dorney House Club, Rye, Sussex.
KENNELS: Brookland, Romney Marsh, Kent.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Rye, Ashford.
- ROSS** (15 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: Major H. H. Parry, Harwood Park, Ross.
KENNELS: Goodrich, Ross.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ross, Monmouth.
- ROSSENDALE** (22 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: Mr. E. Hoyle, Spring Mount, Bacup.
KENNELS: Newchurch-in-Rosendale, Lancs.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Accrington, Bacup, Burnley.
- SANDHURST** (12 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
MASTER: Mr. H. A. Pratt, Merrington, Rolvenden, Kent.
KENNELS: Boxhurst Farm, Sandhurst.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Rye, Tenterden.
- SEAVINGTON** (14½ couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
MASTER: Mr. H. Stuart Menzies, Upton, Seavington, Ilminster.
KENNELS: Seavington, Ilminster.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Yeovil, Crewkerne.
- SLINFOLD** (9 couple).—Three days a fortnight.
MASTER: Mr. Frank St. John, Slinfold Lodge, Horsham.
KENNELS: Slinfold Lodge, Horsham.
CONVENIENT CENTRE: Horsham.
- SOUTH MOLTON** (12 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
MASTER: Mr. A. E. Shapland, Church House, South Molton.
KENNELS: South Molton, Barnstaple.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Barnstaple, Dunster.
- SOUTH POOL** (15 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
MASTERS: A Committee (Field-Masters: Mr. A. F. Holdsworth and Mr. C. H. Harris Pitta, Hon. Sec.).
KENNELS: Goretton, near Kingsbridge, Devon.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Totnes, Dartmouth.
- SPARKFORD VALE** (17 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
MASTERS: A Committee (Hon. Sec., Mr. Arthur Dickinson, Somerton, Somerset).
KENNELS: Galhampton, Castle Cary, Somerset.
CONVENIENT CENTRES: Castle Cary, Yeovil, Wincanton.
- SPELING'S, MR.** (18 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.
MASTER: Mr. H. M. Spelling, Coombe Trenchard, Lewdown, N. Devon.
KENNELS: Lamerton, Tavistock.
CONVENIENT CENTRE: Tavistock.
- STANNINGTON** (10 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.
MASTER: Mr. George Senior, Northumberland Road, Sheffield.
KENNELS: Stannington, Sheffield.
CONVENIENT CENTRE: Sheffield.

STOCKTON (Foot Harriers) (17 couple).—Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTERS: Messrs. C. E. Faber and W. H. Mills, Stockton-on-Tees.
 KENNELS: Oxbridge Lane, Stockton-on-Tees.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Middlesborough, Stockton.

SUFFOLK'S, LORD (25 couple).—Uncertain.
 MASTER: Lord Suffolk, Charlton Park, Malmesbury.
 KENNELS: Charlton Park, Malmesbury.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Malmesbury, Tetbury, Cirencester.

SWALEDALE (10 couple).—Wednesdays and Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. A. B. Hudson, Reeth, Richmond, Yorks.
 KENNELS: Low Row, Reeth, Richmond, Yorks.
 CONVENIENT CENTRE: Richmond, Leyburn.

TANAT SIDE (18 couple).—Two a week.
 MASTERS: Messrs. F. and H. Sowler, Crumpwell, Oswestry.
 KENNELS: Woodhill, Oswestry.
 CONVENIENT CENTRE: Oswestry.

TAUNTON VALE (18 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
 MASTER: Mr. John White, Leafeld, Taunton.
 KENNELS: Blackbrook, near Taunton.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bridgewater, Taunton.

TAYLOR AND FANE'S (2½ couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTERS: Mr. F. Taylor and Mr. Fane, The Kennels, Bishop's Stortford.
 CONVENIENT CENTRE: Bishop's Stortford.

THANET (20 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. B. Prescott Westcar, Strode Park, Herne.
 KENNELS: Strode Park, Herne.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Canterbury, Margate, Ramsgate.

TRETHILL (Foot Harriers) (15 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Lt.-Col. J. D. A. Roberts, Trethill, Torpoint, Cornwall.
 KENNELS: Trethill, Torpoint, Cornwall.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Plymouth, St. Germans.

VALE OF LUNE (20 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays,
 MASTER: Colonel W. H. Foster, Hornby Castle, Lanes.
 DEPUTY MASTER: Mr. J. R. Pickard, Kirby Lonsdale.
 KENNELS: Hornby, near Lancaster.
 CONVENIENT CENTRE: Lancaster.

WELLS SUBSCRIPTION (20 couple).—Mondays, Fridays, and after
 Christmas Wednesdays for Fox.
 MASTER: Mr. L. B. Beauchamp, Norton Hall, near Bath.
 KENNELS: Coxley, Wells, Somerset.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cheddar, Shepton Mallett, Wells.

WELTON DALE (22 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. J. Harrison Broadley, Welton House, Brough, East Yorks.
 KENNELS: Welton, Brough, East Yorks.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Beverley, Hull.

WESTON (22 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. E. A. Hardwick, Springfield, Worle, Weston-super-Mare.
 KENNELS: Worle, Weston-super-Mare.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Bri-tol, Weston-super-Mare.

WEST STREET (18 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. Arthur French Blake, Eythorne, Dover.
 KENNELS: Wald-rshare Park, Dover.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Canterbury, Dover.

WINDERMERE (16 couple).—Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. W. Bruce Logan, Bowness, Windermere.
 KENNELS: Ambleside, Windermere.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Appleby, Kendal, Windermere.

WIRRAL (22 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. R. J. Houghton, Westwood, Neston, Runcorn.
 KENNELS: Hooton Hall, near Chester.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Birkenhead, Chester, Runcorn.

WOOD'S MR. (12 couple).—Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. Fred J. Wood, The Willows, Newton-le-Willows.
 KENNELS: Newton-le-Willows.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Warrington, Wigan.

SCOTTISH HARRIERS.

CAMBO (20 couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTER: Mr. T. H. Erskine, Grangemuir, Pittenweem, Fife.
 KENNELS: Grangemuir, Pittenweem, Fife.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: St. Andrews, Crail.

HOPETOUN (25 couple).—Three days a week.
 MASTER: The Marquis of Linlithgow, Hopetoun House, South Queens-
 ferry, N.B.
 KENNELS: Hopetoun House, South Queensferry, N.B.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Linlithgow, South Queensferry.

IRISH HARRIERS.

ANTRIM, EAST (18 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. T. J. Dixon, Drumadarragh, Doagh, Co. Antrim.
 KENNELS: Brookfield House, Doagh, Co. Antrim.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Antrim, Doagh, Ballyclare.

BALLYMACAD (25 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. E. Rotherham, Crossdrum, Oldcastle, Co. Meath.
 KENNELS: Crossdrum, Oldcastle.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Castlepollard, Oldcastle.

BRAY (21 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. George Morris, Windgates House, Bray, Co. Wicklow.
 KENNELS: Windgates, Bray.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dundrum, Enniskerry.

BREE (12 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. W. J. Corcoran, Ballybane House, Enniscorthy.
 KENNELS: Ballybane House, Enniscorthy.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Enniscorthy, Wexford.

BRISCO'S CAPTAIN (14 couple).—Three days a week.
 MASTER: Captain E. J. M. Brisco, Seregan Manor, Tullamore.
 KENNELS: Seregan Manor, Tullamore.
 CONVENIENT CENTRE: Tullamore.

BROOKE'S, SIR GEORGE F. (17½ couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTER: Sir George F. Brooke, Bart., Summerton, Castleknock.
 KENNELS: Summerton, Castleknock, Co. Dublin.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dublin, Lucan.

CAHIR (15 couple).—Two a week.
 MASTER: Capt. E. M. Conolly, R. A. Mess, The Barracks, Cahir.
 KENNELS: R. A. Barracks, Cahir.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Cahir, Clonmel.

CLARE (30 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTERS: Mr. W. H. Ball and Capt. S. B. O'Grady, Fortfergus,
 Ballinacally, Co. Clare.
 KENNELS: Eden Vale, Ennis.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ennis, Newmarket-on-Fergus.

CLONMEL (20 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. Herbert M. Hartigan, Redmondstown, Clonmel.
 KENNELS: Annisfort, Clonmel.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Clonmel, Fethard.

COROLANTY (17 couple).—Three days a fortnight.
 MASTER: Mr. P. F. Sanders, Corolanty, Shinrone, King's Co.
 KENNELS: Corolanty, Shinrone.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Birr, Roscrea, Cloughjordan.

DERRY (20 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
 MASTER: Mr. T. F. Cooke, St. Columbs, Londonderry.
 KENNELS: Waterside, Londonderry.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Londonderry, Randalstown.

DERRY CASTLE (16 couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTER: Mr. C. M. Gough, Cragg, Birdhill, Limerick.
 KENNELS: Cragg, Birdhill, Limerick.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Killaloe, Nenagh.

DOWN, EAST (18 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. R. D. P. Maxwell, Finnebrogue, Downpatrick.
 KENNELS: Ringcreagh, Downpatrick.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Crossgar, Downpatrick, Newcastle.

DOWN, NORTH (16½ couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. John Blakiston Houston, Orangefield, Belfast (Acting
 Master: Mr. J. G. Allen, Comber, Co. Down).
 KENNELS: Glasmoos, Comber, Co. Down.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Belfast, Comber.

DREWSTOWN (20 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. George B. McVeagh, Drewstown, Kells, Co. Meath.
 KENNELS: Drewstown, Kells, Co. Meath.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Kells, Navan, Trim.

DRAMANA (11 couple).—Three a fortnight.
 MASTER: G. H. Dennehy, Laurentum, Clashmore, Youghal.
 KENNELS: Laurentum, Clashmore, Youghal.
 CONVENIENT CENTRE: Youghal.

DUNDALK (18 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Major H. M. Cliff, Fane Valley, Dundalk.
 KENNELS: Ready-penny, Dundalk.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dundalk, Drogheda.

EDENDERRY & DISTRICT (16 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. R. Robinson, Jonestown House, Edenderry.
 KENNELS: Carbury, Co. Kildare.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Edenderry, Enfield.

FERMANAGH (15 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Major J. G. C. Irvine, Killadeas, Co. Fermanagh.
 KENNELS: Ballycassidy, Ballinamallard, Co. Fermanagh.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ballinamallard, Enniskillen.

FINGAL (18 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. C. L. O'Callaghan, Brackenstown, Swords, Co. Dublin.
 KENNELS: Brackenstown, Swords.
 CONVENIENT CENTRES: Balbriggan, Drogheda.

FUNCHEON VALE (20 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. R. Grove Annesley, Annesgrove, Castletownroche, Co. Cork.

KENNELS: Annesgrove, Castletownroche, Co. Cork.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Castletownroche, Killavullen.

GLANMIRE (20 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTER: Mr. R. Hall, Glenmervyn, Glanmire, Co. Cork.

KENNELS: Glenmervyn, Glanmire.

CONVENIENT CENTRE: Glanmire.

IMOKILLY (14 couple).—Three days a fortnight.

MASTER: Mr. J. Rohan, Loughcarrig, Ballinacurra, Co. Cork.

KENNELS: Ramhill, Ballinacurra, Co. Cork.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Middleton, Cloyne.

IVEAGH (20 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. W. F. Uprichard, Ehnafeld, Gilford, Co. Down.

KENNELS: Gilford, Co. Down.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Gilford, Waringstown.

KILDARE (16 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: A Committee.

KENNELS: Dummurry, Kildare.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Kildare, Newbridge.

LITTLEGRANGE (12 couple).—Various hunting days.

MASTER: Mr. F. W. Leland, Littlegrange, Drogheda.

KENNELS: Littlegrange, Drogheda.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Drogheda, Slane.

MAYO, NORTH (14 couple).—Tuesday, Friday.

MASTER: Mr. Charles O. Creed, Arran Estate Office, Ballina, Co. Mayo.

KENNELS: Rosserk, Ballina, Co. Mayo.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ballina, Crossmolina.

MILLSTREET (12 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. A. Wallis, Drishane, Millstreet, Co. Cork.

KENNELS: Drishane, Millstreet, Co. Cork.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Kanturk, Millstreet.

MONAGHAN (12 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Lord Rossmore, Rossmore Park, Monaghan.

KENNELS: Caula, Monaghan.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Monaghan, Clowes, Castleblayney.

MOORE'S, MR. (18 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTER: Mr. Henry Moore, Cremorgan, Timahoe, Queen's County.

KENNELS: Cremorgan, Timahoe.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Maryboro', Stradbally.

MOUNT BELLEW (13½ couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Sir H. Grattan-Bellew, Bart., Mount Bellew, Co. Galway (Field Master: Mr. J. D'Arcy, New Forest, Ballinamore Bridge).

KENNELS: Mount Bellew House, Ballinasloe.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Tuam, Ballinasloe.

NEWRY (20 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Major G. M. Chase, Drumlanagher, Newry.

KENNELS: Drumeashlone, Newry.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Banbridge, Newry.

O'HARA'S, MR. (18 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. C. K. O'Hara, Annaghmore, Collooney, Co. Sligo.

KENNELS: Annaghmore, Collooney.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ballymote, Collooney.

ROCKFIELD (19 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. James Blake Concanon, Rockfield, Athenry, Co. Galway.

KENNELS: Rockfield, Athenry, Co. Galway.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Athenry, Loughrea.

ROCKINGHAM (17 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTERS: Mr. Edgar S. Robinson, Knockadoo, Boyle, and Mr. A.

Barclay Walker, Rockingham.

KENNELS: Knockadoo, Boyle.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Boyle, Carrick-on-Shannon.

ROCKMOUNT (10 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. Arthur Hunt, Rockmount, Kilmaethomas.

KENNELS: Rockmount, Kilmaethomas.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dungarvan, Kilmaethomas.

ROSCOMMON (16 couple).—Tuesdays and Fridays.

MASTERS: A Committee (Hon. Secretary, Mr. James J. Veelan, Stone

Park, Roscommon).

KENNELS: Near M.G.W.R. Station, Roscommon.

CONVENIENT CENTRE: Roscommon.

ROUTE (16 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. J. A. Montgomery, Benvardan, Dervock, Co. Antrim.

KENNELS: Ballymagarry, Portrush.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Coleraine, Portrush.

SCARTEEN (Black and Tans) (25 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. John J. Ryan, Scarteen, Knocklong, Co. Limerick.

KENNELS: Scarteen, Knocklong, Co. Limerick.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Killmallock, Tipperary.

SESKINORE (15 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Mr. King Houston, Riverdale, Omagh, Co. Tyrone.

KENNELS: Riverdale, Omagh, Co. Tyrone.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Fintona, Omagh.

SHELTON ABBEY (20 couple).—One day a week.

MASTER: The Earl of Wicklow, Shelton Abbey, Arklow, Co. Wicklow.

KENNELS: Shelton Abbey, Arklow.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Arklow, Wicklow.

SLIGO COUNTY (15 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Mr. Edward M. Rowlette, Carnecash, Sligo.

KENNELS: Carnecash, Sligo.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Ballymote, Sligo.

STRABANE (18 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. E. C. Herdman, Carricklee, Strabane.

KENNELS: Carricklee, Strabane.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Omagh, Strabane.

TARA (17 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Lord Dunsany, Dunsany Castle, Dunsany, Co. Meath.

KENNELS: Dunsany Castle, Co. Meath.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Dunsany, Bellinter.

TYNAN AND ARMAGH (15 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Miss Isa McClintock, Fellows Hall, Tynan, Co. Armagh.

KENNELS: Fellows Hall, Tynan.

CONVENIENT CENTRES: Armagh, Caledon.

ENGLISH BEAGLES.**AIREDALE** (12 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. Dawson Jowett, Wrose Hill, near Shipley.

ALDERSHOT DISTRICT (18 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Captain Swettenham, Tonnay Barracks, North Camp, Aldershot.

ALLOTT'S, MR. (15 couple).—No fixed days.

MASTER: Mr. J. G. Allott, Louth, Lincs.

BERKHAMSTED (12 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. W. J. Pickin, Berkhamsted, Herts.

BEDFORDSHIRE, SOUTH (10 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTER: Mr. B. J. K. Mott, Amptill Grange, Beds.

BRACKLEY (9 couple).—No fixed days.

MASTER: Mr. Geoffrey Campbell, Market House, Brackley.

BRIGHTON (14 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. Delamark B. R. ffry, 39 Cromwell Road, Hove, Brighton.

BRITANNIA (16 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Commander the Hon. H. G. Brand, R.N., Royal Naval

College, Dartmouth.

BRONWYDD (8 couple).—No fixed days.

MASTER: Sir Martine Lloyd, Bart., Bronwydd, Henllan, Cardiganshire.

BUCKLAND (17 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Major F. M. Beaumont, Buckland Court, Betchworth, Surrey.

BUSHEY HEATH (18 couple).—Saturdays, and occasional Wednesdays.

MASTER: Mr. Ronald Mavor, Hilfield Park, Bushey Heath, Herts.

CHAWSTON (12 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. W. L. Addington, Colesden Grange, St. Neot's.

CHESHIRE (19 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays, and alternate Thursdays.

MASTER: Mr. Percy Roberts, The Firs, Houghton, Tarporley, Cheshire.

CHRIST CHURCH (OXFORD) (16 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. Christopher Cecil Tower, Christ Church, Oxford; and

World Hall, Brentwood, Essex.

COCKERMOUTH (10 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTER: Mr. Henry Peacock, Globe Hotel, Cockermonth.

COLCHESTER GARRISON (18 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Capt. Edward S. Godman, Sobraon Barracks, Colchester.

CONSTABLE'S, MR. (11 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTER: Mr. L. L. Constable, Ifold, Billingshurst, Sussex.

CROFT'S CAPT. (18 couple).—No fixed days.

MASTER: Capt. R. P. Croft, Farnham Hall, Ware, Herts.

DÖL WILYM (12 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. J. B. B. Protheroe, Döl Wilym, Hebron, Carmarthenshire.

DURHAM (13 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.

MASTER: Mr. C. G. Wilkinson, Eskdale Tower, Jesmond, Newcastle.

ECCLESFIELD (12½ couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.

MASTER: Mr. T. H. Bingley, Whitley Hall, Grenoside, Sheffield.

EDEN VALLEY (10 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTER: Mr. F. M. Wybergh, The Cottage, Warcup, Westmorland.

ETON COLLEGE (16 couple).—Various.

MASTER: Mr. P. M. N. Wroughton, Eton College, Windsor.

EXETER COLLEGE (OXFORD) (13½ couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. Arthur Clave, Exeter College, Oxford.

41st (THE WELSH REGIMENT) (14 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Major C. B. Morland, Glenview, Gravesend.

FURNESS AND DISTRICT (12 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. Victor Cavendish, M.P., Holker Hall, Cartmel, Lancs.

GOSPORT AND FAREHAM (16 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. Frederick Blake, Bury Place, Alverstoke, Hants.

GREAVES'S, MR. (20 couple).—Two days a week.

MASTER: Mr. J. E. Greaves, Brun Eifion, Criccieth.

GREYWELL HILL (Basset Hounds) (14 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays,

and occasional bye-days.

MASTER: The Hon. Dudley Carleton, Greywell Hill, Winchfield, Hants.

HALSTEAD PLACE (21 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.

MASTER: Mr. James Russel, Halstead Place, near Sevenoaks.

HANMER'S, SIR WYNDHAM (12½ couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
 MASTER: Sir Wyndham Hanmer, Bart., Redbrook Lodge, Whitechurch, Salop.

HORSELL (10 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTERS: The Hon. M. Erskine Westwood Lodge, Windlesham, Surrey, and Mr. G. J. Bruzand, Windlesham, Surrey.

HULTON (16 couple).—Three days a fortnight.
 MASTER: Mr. L. L. Armitage, Brakesmere, Little Hulton, near Bolton.

INSTOW (10½ couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. Henry Turner, Instow, R.S.O., N. Devon.

LEIGH PARK (11½ couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Sir F. FitzWygram, Leigh Park, Havant, Hants.

LICHFIELD GARRISON (12 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Capt. Alfred Law, North Staffordshire Regiment, Ellfield House, Whittington, Litchfield.

LINTON (17 couple).—No fixed days.
 MASTER: Mr. F. S. W. Cornwallis, Linton Park, Maidstone.

NEW COLLEGE & MAGDALEN (OXFORD) (16 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. J. S. B. Hill, Magdalen College, Oxford.

NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS (15 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. J. I. Benson, The Barracks, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

PANT-Y-CENDY (10 couple).—Various days.
 MASTER: Mr. L. A. L. Evans, Pant-y-Cendy, near Carmarthen.

PARKIN'S, MISS (11 couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTER: Miss Parkin, Blaithwaite, Carlisle.

PEN-Y-GHENT (11 couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTER: Mr. John Foster, Donk Ghyll, Horton-in-Ribblesdale, Settle.

PRICE'S, MR. (10 couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTER: The Rev. John Price, Talley House, near Llandilo, S. Wales.

PRICE'S, MRS. (20 couple).—Wednesdays.
 MASTER: Mrs. Price, New Park, Brockenhurst.

PRYSE'S, MR. L. (10½ couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. Lewis T. Loveden Pryse, Cwmcoedwig, Llanfarian, Aberystwith.

RENWICK'S, MR. G. A. (7½ couple).—Three days a fortnight.
 MASTER: Mr. G. A. Renwick, Springhill, Morpeth.

RICHMOND (12 couple).—Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. C. Leslie Butler, Richmond, Handsworth, Sheffield.

ROUNDWAY (22 couple).—Three days a week.
 MASTER: Mr. C. E. H. A. Colston, M.P., Roundway Park, Devizes.

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE (11 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays, and occasional Mondays.
 MASTER: Mr. A. N. Burra, Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester.

ROYAL ROCK (14 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. C. E. Hutton, Sandy Lawn, West Kirby, Birkenhead.

ST. BEES (9 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. H. C. Rodewald, 66 Huskisson Road, Liverpool.

SHOPWYKE (12 couple).—Various days.
 MASTER: Mr. T. G. Paget, Shopwyke House, Chichester

SPRINGHILL (22 couple).—Saturdays, and one other day (sometimes two) each week.
 MASTER: Mr. George A. Miller, Springhill, Rugby.

STOKE PLACE (15 couple).—Various days.
 MASTER: Mr. H. Howard-Vyse, Stoke Place, Slough.

SURBITON (15 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. A. G. Allen Turner, Chylton Dene, Surbiton.

THORPE SATCHVILLE (18 couple).—Tuesdays, Thursdays.
 MASTER: Mr. J. Orho Paget, Thorpe Satchville, Melton Mowbray.

TRINITY (CAMBRIDGE) (9 couple).—Four days a week.
 MASTER: Mr. C. R. H. Wiggin, Pitt Club, Cambridge.

TROWBRIDGE (12 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTERS: A Committee.

HUNTSMAN: Mr. H. L. Hewitt, Trowle Manor, Trowbridge.

WARWICK (15 couple).—Thursdays, Saturdays.
 MASTERS: Mr. H. Anthony Browne, 9, Church Street, Warwick, and Captain J. d'E. Coke, Warwick.

WINSLOW (10 couple).—Thursdays.
 MASTER: The Rev. W. Harry Shackel, The Nook, Winslow, Bucks.

WOODDALE (14 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. Ewen C. R. Goff, Wooddale, Billingshurst, Sussex.

WORCESTER PARK (15 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTERS: A Committee (Hon. Huntsman: Captain Barry).

3rd WORCESTERSHIRE (12 couple).—Tuesdays, Saturdays, and occasional Thursdays.
 MASTER: Mr. Dennis Sole, Mandora Barracks, Aldershot.

SCOTTISH BEAGLES.

BERWICK (12½ couple).—Two days a week, with an occasional bye-day.
 MASTER: Mr. William Grey, Hide Hill, Berwick-on-Tweed.

EAST LOTHIAN (12 couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTERS: Mr. W. W. Hope, Knows, Prestonkirk, N.B.; Mr. R. W. Tweedie; and Mr. St. Clair Cunningham.

EDINBURGH (15 couple).—Three days a fortnight.
 MASTER: Mr. George Cunningham, 21 Royal Circus, Edinburgh.

ESKDALE (8 couple).—Saturdays, and frequent bye-days.
 MASTER: Mr. F. Graham, Holmwood, Langholm.

IRISH BEAGLES.

BALLYMARTLE (12 couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTER: Mr. R. J. Meade, Ballymartle, Ballinassig, Co. Cork.

BEAMISH'S, MR. (9½ couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
 MASTER: Mr. R. Beamish, Kilmalooda Rectory, Clonakilty, Co. Cork.

BELLMOUNT (15 couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTER: Capt. J. E. H. Herrick, Bellmount, Crookstown, Co. Cork.

CALEDON (4½ couple).—No fixed days.
 MASTER: Lt.-Col. the Hon. C. Alexander, Caledon, Co. Tyrone.

MOUNTMELICK (17½ couple).—Mondays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. William A. Robinson, Drogheda House, Mountmellick, Queen's Co.

MOYOLA PARK (20 couple).—Five days a fortnight.
 MASTER: Lt.-Col. R. Spencer Chichester, Castle Upton, Templepatrick, Co. Antrim.

SLANE (Basset Hounds) (17 couple).—Various hunting days.
 MASTER: The Marquis of Conyngham, Slane Castle, Co. Meath.

TRAMORE (15 couple).—Mondays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. Archibald D. A. Bruce, Rocklands, Tramore, Co. Waterford (Field Master: Mr. F. W. Budd).

WATERVILLE (15 couple).—Two days a week.
 MASTER: Mr. Denis Casey, Spunkane, Waterville, Co. Kerry.

ENGLISH DRAGHOUNDS.

BANSTEAD (11 couple).—Saturdays, and occasionally Wednesdays.
 MASTER: Mr. J. Norman Noakes, Sialkote, Wallington, Surrey.

ESSEX (14 couple).—Saturdays, and occasional Wednesdays.
 MASTER: Dr. Ostlere, 47, Stoke Newington Road, N.

GREENFORD (15 couple).—Saturdays, and occasionally Wednesdays.
 MASTER: Mr. A. W. Perkin, Greenford Green, Harrow.

HOUSEHOLD BRIGADE (14 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. C. P. Heywood, Victoria Barracks, Windsor.

MIDDLESEX FARMERS' (14 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Mr. A. E. Gostling, M.R.C.V.S., 7 Nottingham Mansions, Nottingham Street, W.

ROYAL ARTILLERY (15½ couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Mr. C. G. Mavall, Royal Artillery Barracks, Woolwich.

SHORNCLIFFE GARRISON (14 couple).—Mondays, Thursdays.
 MASTER: Major C. B. Tottenham, D.S.O., 14th Hussars, Somerset Barracks, Shorncliffe.

STAFF COLLEGE (18 couple).—Tuesdays, Fridays.
 MASTER: Major A. C. Daly, West Yorks., Regiment, Staff College, Camberley.

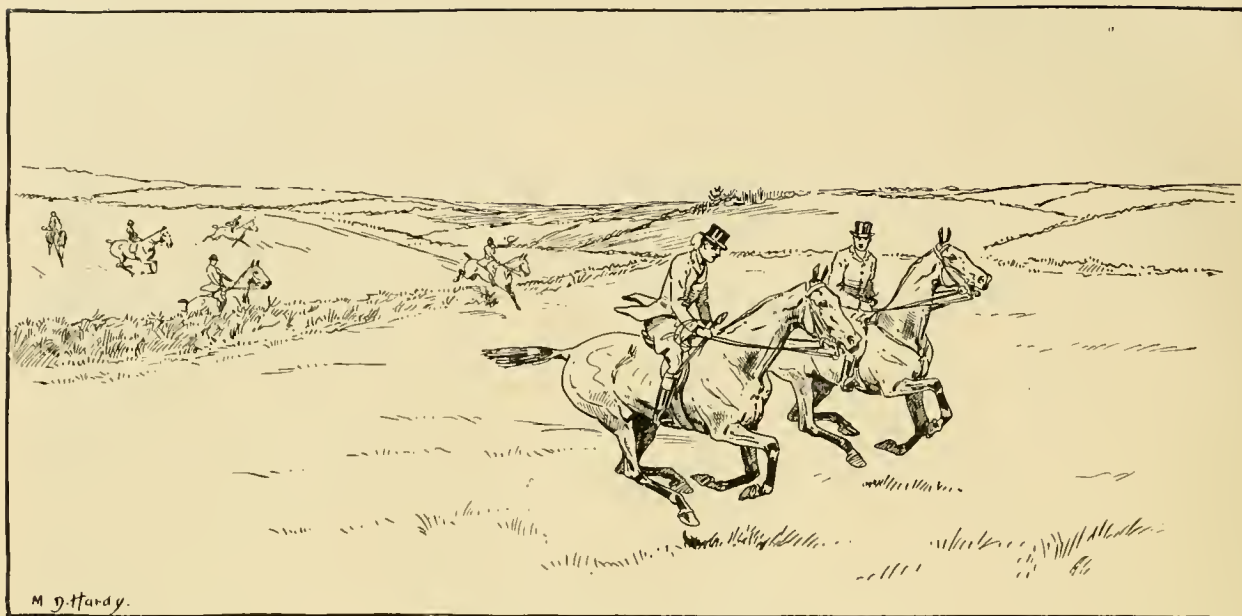
WINANS'S, MR. WALTER (9½ couple).—No fixed days.
 MASTER: Mr. Walter Winans, Surrenden Park, Pluckley, Kent.

WOOLMER (17 couple).—Wednesdays, Saturdays.
 MASTER: Col. A. J. Godley, Irish Guards, Commandant's House, Longmore Camp, East Liss, Hants.



M. Dorothy
Hardy

"Ah! how shall I in song declare
The riders who were foremost there;
A fit excuse how shall I find
For ev'ry rider left behind."



"OVER LEICESTERSHIRE GRASS "

A Practical Guide to Some of the Best Hunting Countries and Centres.

IN an annual production of this sort some difficulty has invariably to be overcome in deciding which features of previous issues shall be retained and which shall be discarded. But in regard to our "Practical Guide to Some of the Best Hunting Countries and Centres" we have experienced no difficulty in coming to a decision, for the kindly appreciation of many of our readers last winter plainly showed that here we have a feature likely to be of permanent utility. Some sportsmen from choice and others from force of circumstances—such as Army officers—are frequently seeking fresh hunting quarters, and to them this "Guide" should prove a useful source of information from time to time. We have summarised and placed into smaller compass the details given in the 1904-5 issue of this Diary by writers eminently competent to deal with the various districts. It may be recalled that Mr. T. F. DALE dealt with Leicestershire, "SPRAGGON" with Northamptonshire and Warwickshire, "MAINTOP" with Ireland, "PEEP OUT" with the West Country, and Mr. WILLIAM SCARTH DIXON with Yorkshire. To these summaries we have added details concerning other leading countries and centres, feeling that by so doing we have increased the utility and completeness of the "Guide."

We begin, as before, with—

LEICESTERSHIRE.

The Horse Required.

At least one season in Leicestershire is the ambition of all hunting men, and thoroughly to enjoy it one must have a really good horse—a stout horse, for Leicestershire is not, as is sometimes supposed, a wide open plain of rich turf. Except in some parts of the Monday country of the Quorn and of the Thursday or Saturday country of the Cottesmore, it is a case of galloping up and down hill all day. One's horse must be well-bred, too, for hounds go faster over the scent-carrying grass of the Shires than in other countries. Then the fences need a bold horse. He must rise well at the stout blackthorn hedges which are, however, even when with a ditch on the far side, or towards you, well within the compass of a horse that is really a hunter. He must, further, be trustworthy over timber. The Leicestershire horse, moreover, should have manners. A bad-tempered or ill-mannered horse is quite out of place in a crowded Leicestershire field. Finally, if you are to enjoy a whole day's hunting there must be two horses out each day.

Centres.

There are practically only three places where one would be likely to fix oneself for a visit. For many reasons Melton would come first—chiefly, however, because it is accessible from Town and most convenient for the meets in the best country. It is clearly a place for a man who wishes to hunt six days a week. Twice with the Quorn, with a frequent bye-day thrown in, will occupy his Mondays and Fridays and sometimes Thursdays. If the Quorn are not out on

Thursday, then Mr. Fernie or the Cottesmore will provide the visitor with sport on that day. Tuesday is always spent with the Cottesmore and Wednesday with the Belvoir. The two last-named packs will advertise in the Melton district on alternate Saturdays. Melton, of course, is the most expensive place, since three of these packs would expect at least £25 as a subscription; but all the days available from Melton you will find yourself practically always on the grass, and the supply of foxes equal to providing sport from morning till night. Somewhat less expensive than Melton is Market Harborough, and, although you can hunt six days if you like, it is not considered necessary. The Cottesmore and Mr. Fernie's, with off-days with the Pytchley, will be the hunts you would follow. Owing to its admirable train service it is quite possible to spend a business day in London from Market Harborough once or twice a week. The hotels are comfortable, and there are some delightful houses to let in its vicinity. Oakham and Grantham are also pleasant places, but the latter means that you would almost confine yourself to the Belvoir, and follow them as well in their Lincolnshire as in their Leicestershire country. Still there is nothing for sport like a Lincolnshire fox, and the country plough or pasture carries a scent. You want very stout horses, however, for the land rides heavily at times.

Hunting Dress for Leicestershire.

As to equipment and dress, one's wisest plan is to trust oneself to a first-rate tailor and boot-maker. Hunting-clothes are certainly almost the same in every hunt nowadays. Many men who are careless about every-day dress are most particular about the hunting kit. Where perhaps the turn-out of the man in the Shires differs from that of his cousin in the provinces is that the former is more complete in minor details, and has more of that finish which makes just the difference between a well and ill-dressed man.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

The Horse for Pytchley Country.

Northamptonshire, the home of the Pytchley Hounds, loses little by comparison with Leicestershire. The Pytchley country is a land of rolling grass and of stout blackthorn fences. Little plough is crossed, and that chiefly on the Northampton or Monday side. Compared with some other countries the opportunities for water jumping are few. "The best horse that is bred" represents the requirements in the stable, albeit the majority are obliged to substitute the "best we can get." A good timber-jumper here, as elsewhere, will extricate his rider from most difficulties. The country as a rule rides deep, and as the pastures are enormous and the fences stiff, a second horse becomes a necessity. A galloping blood horse, up to weight and able to get through the dirt, is the sort for Northamptonshire.

Centres.

Of hunting centres in Northamptonshire, Weedon and Daventry are perhaps the best. There is no town of any size which can be cited as a good centre for the Pytchley alone. We pass over Market Harborough, since this most favourite of fox-hunting centres lies within the borders of Leicestershire. Yet the Harborough man, even though his time be principally devoted to Mr. Fernie's and the other Leicestershire packs, will constantly have the opportunity of seeing the Pytchley at work in their best country. Northampton itself is a bad place to hunt from, but from either Weedon or Daventry capital sport may be had. The Grafton are at hand on Monday, and the North Warwickshire are generally accessible on Tuesday. On Wednesday of course the Pytchley claim attention, and if distance demands it a special train runs from both stations. On Thursday the Warwickshire are usually within reach; on Friday the Pytchley or Grafton; and on Saturday either the Bicester or the Pytchley are at hand.

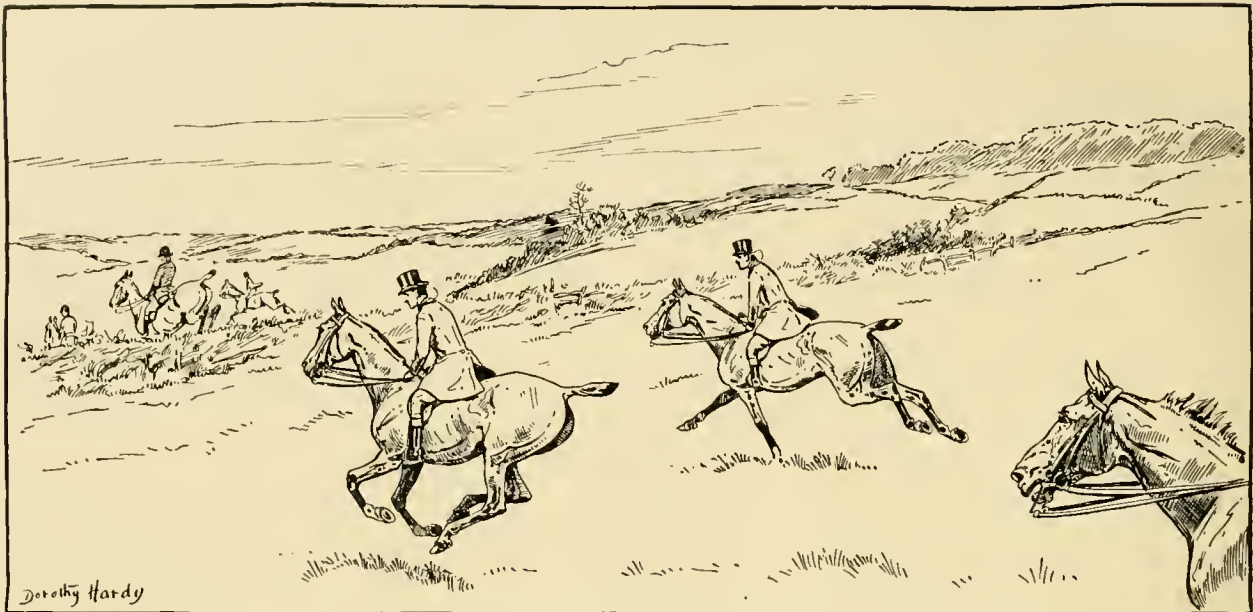
Towcester, Buckingham and Brackley.

The pleasant little town of Towcester is not to be forgotten in talking of hunting centres. It is situated in the heart of the Grafton country, which contains a large acreage of pleasant grass, a proportion of holding plough, and some of the best woodlands in England. Towcester is probably the best centre for this country, but plenty of sport with the pack is obtainable from Buckingham or Brackley. From Buckingham the Whaddon Chase are accessible, and at Brackley one is within reach of some of the best Bicester meets. The last-mentioned pack visit the Northamptonshire border on alternate Saturdays, when Grafton, Pytchley and Warwickshire men come to swell the field, for this strip of country is a pleasant one to ride over, and the authorities ask no more than a ten-pound note for the season from the bi-weekly visitor.

WARWICKSHIRE.

A Sporting Country.

And now a word as to the Warwickshire Hounds, whose territory adjoins that of the Pytchley to the south-west. A description of the Pytchley country would be applicable here again, and the horse that will carry one over Northamptonshire will cross Warwickshire equally well. The breadth and depth of the ditches is somewhat alarming on first acquaintance, and the horse who has not learnt to spread himself over his fences will come to grief quicker in Warwickshire perhaps than elsewhere. The pack is kennelled at Kineton, a little town from which a follower might comfortably hunt four days a week, though at Leamington or Warwick more accommodation would doubtless be found. Their most popular country is hunted on Thursdays, and these fixtures can be conveniently reached from Rugby, which town the Pytchley, Atherstone and North Warwickshire approach to within easy distance. The popularity of the Warwickshire has of late years increased by leaps and bounds, and the crowd at Shuckburgh rivals that of a Pytchley Wednesday. Nor must the claims of Banbury as a hunting quarter be overlooked in connection with the Warwickshire. It is on the eastern border, and some of the best meets of the Warwickshire, Bicester, Grafton and Heythrop packs are easily accessible; whilst there is the additional advantage of Banbury being so quickly reached from Town.



"A FINE STRETCH OF VALE COUNTRY."

GLOUCESTERSHIRE AND NEIGHBOURING COUNTIES.

Duke of Beaufort's.

There are few countries outside the Shires which have so great an attraction for the lover of fox-hunting as the extensive tract of Gloucestershire, Somerset, and Wilts, hunted by the famous Badminton pack. There is no country in the United Kingdom more sport-giving, both in variety and consistency; none in England containing more perfect coverts or a better supply of stout-running foxes. True the hard-rider may miss the steeplechases of Leicestershire and Northamptonshire, for the country cannot be rushed and scrambled over, and it generally rides deep in a good scenting season; but Gloucestershire sport, as all who have enjoyed it will acknowledge, has a charm of its own, and the followers of the ducal pack have this advantage: they can hunt every day in the week, with the frequent opportunity, moreover, of choosing whether to throw in their lot with the Duke of Beaufort in one part of the country or with Will Dale in another. The best kind of material to have in your stable here is a short-legged, quick, active horse that can get his hind legs well on to the banks and jump stone walls out of a trot. All kinds of fences are to be met with, and there is hardly any wire. Now as to the best places for hunting with the Duke of Beaufort's Hounds—Chippenham (whence a fine stretch of vale country, in which the famous Great Wood Run had its origin, extends to Swindon) will commend itself to many; and there is little to choose between that place and Malmesbury, further north, whence meets of the V. W. H. (Cirencester) can be reached; or Tetbury, from which you can comfortably get to some of the meets of either Lord Fitzhardinge's or Lord Bathurst's packs. Yet to be really central what could possibly be more pleasant and convenient than to stay for the season at the new hotel close to the Badminton Station on the G. W. R., which is under the management of Dick Stovin, late huntsman to the Heythrop Hounds? All strangers, are, of course, expected to subscribe towards this Hunt, which is maintained upon such a generous scale, but "capping" is not practised, and it is not likely that it ever will be while the present Duke lives.

Vale of White Horse.

With the fun provided by the packs kennelled respectively at Cirencester and Cricklade a sportsman may well rest content. Both countries present great attractions to the fox-hunter, and both have the advantage of being hunted by keen and popular Masters and first-class packs of hounds, whilst the sporting farmers of the V. W. H. have no superiors, taking them as a whole, in the rôle of puppy-walkers and fox-preservers. The Cirencester country has a large proportion of grass, and the Cricklade, like the Old Berkshire which it adjoins on the north-east, is for the most part a flying grass country, where you would soon find yourself in difficulties if mounted on a bad horse. Cirencester itself—a charming town—is undoubtedly the best hunting quarter for Lord Bathurst's side; and Cricklade, Swindon, or Wootton Bassett are the best centres for Mr. Butt Miller's.

From Cheltenham.

Cheltenham, in the heart of the Cotswold country, which owes not a little of its growth and prosperity to hunting, is still the winter resort of a portion of the sporting community, for it holds to its claim as a fine centre whence meets of both the Cotswold packs, Lord Fitzhardinge's, the Croome and the Ledbury are accessible. Walls are only met with in the hill country of the Cotswolds, but in the Vale, flying fences to remind one of the Shires are encountered; and the horse most

suitable for either the Cotswold or North Cotswold is a short-backed one with good shoulders and hocks to get up and down the hills, whilst he must also be able to gallop. For the North Cotswold good centres, in addition to Cheltenham, are Broadway (where the kennels are situated), Evesham, Mickleton, Campden and Winchcombe. The subscriptions vary from £10 10s. up to £50. The Berkeley (Lord Fitzhardinge's) country is mostly pasture, much of which carries a good scent, and a well-bred horse that can gallop, jump and stay is a necessity if you are to keep hounds in sight when they are "on the back" of a straight-necked fox. Berkeley is about the best hunting quarter.

Other Centres.

A lot of good sport can be obtained from Ledbury with the pack which takes its name from the town, and also with the Herefordshire packs; whilst meets of the Ledbury and Croome are accessible from Malvern, though the best centres for the last-named hunt are Pershore in the middle, Evesham and Tewkesbury on the North Cotswold side, and Worcester on the Worcestershire border. As just stated, Malvern and Ledbury are good centres for followers of Mr. Carnaby Forster's pack, and Newent is another, whilst some of the best meets can be reached from Tewkesbury and Upton-on-Severn, besides Cheltenham. A compact, well-bred horse that can jump and gallop is required in the Ledbury country, which is a ditch country, with a good deal of pasture in the Severn Valley, arable on the Ryelands, moorland on the Malverns, and big woods in the south-west of the country. Members are expected to subscribe £5 for each day per week they hunt, with an additional minimum subscription of £2 to the Poultry Fund. Capping is not practised.

DEVON AND SOMERSET.

Porlock for the Visitor to Exmoor.

Porlock is the best centre for hunting on Exmoor, as nearly one-third of all the deer killed die within three miles of Porlock Church. The town lies on the northern side of the country, but it commands the best meets, and hounds put in more days there than in the southern part of their territory during the course of the season. The Exmoor Foxhounds and Minehead Harriers meet on off-days in the district, and occasionally you can get a days otter-hunting or a badger dig. Minehead is the nearest station (seven miles), and bus, coach and carrier connect the two places. Lodgings are good, and hotel accommodation ample there and at Porlock Weir, and most of the pretty houses in the district are to let for the season.

Minehead, Dunster.

These are the centres more often chosen by "fashionable" folk. You have always seven miles further to ride to and from hunting, but the railway is at your door. Hotels are good, but somewhat more expensive than in other parts of Red Deer Land. You can also reach the meets of the Quantock Staghounds by road or rail from here. Both Minehead and Dunster are handy for meets of the West Somerset Foxhounds. Cutcombe is a good centre, but dull on off-days, and the same remark must apply to Exford, where are the kennels. Hotel accommodation is good at both places. The Quarme Harriers meet round this district, which is an ideal one for hare hunting.

Convenient Dulverton.

Dulverton is a pleasant place to stop at, and very accessible by rail from Taunton, Exeter, South Molton and Barnstaple, and hotels are good, but it is a long way from all the meets on the best of the open moor, being the centre for the southern part of the staghound country. You will get many woodland days in the Exe and Barle valleys and in the great Haddon stronghold, and will be able to see something of Mr. Ian Amory and his smart pack, who hunt the deer in the Stoodleigh country and elsewhere.

Hirelings.

Nowadays there is no difficulty in getting hirelings. Almost every other man in Minehead, Porlock, Dulverton, Lynton and Exford lets out hunters, and with competition the class of horse to let has improved. If you find one, two or three hirelings that carry you to your satisfaction it is well to take them by the week, thus obtaining a slight reduction in the cost of their hire, and making sure that they are not overworked, and that no lady gives them a sore back the day before you want to ride them. In the right stamp of horse good shoulders and forelegs are a *sine qua non*, and the horse for Exmoor must be well-bred, and able to gallop and stay. He must be able to get through wet ground, as the boggy parts are called, as well as up and down hill, without loss of time, as hounds will always beat horses up-hill. In fact, you want a compact and clever horse, with a turn of speed and not too much daylight under him.

Hints for the Rider.

On Exmoor, more haste less speed is amply verified, and the thing to know is when to let your horse extend himself and when to hold him together. Avoid bright green spots and patches of ground where the white cotton grass waves a warning signal, and also short cuts when you see others making a detour. Costume varies on Exmoor, and comfort is the order of day; but white breeches are always cool and neat, and only the Hunt Staff wear pink and no one top hats. A covert coat with nice long skirts is always comfortable and workmanlike, and a long mackintosh, such as the hunt servants carry, is indispensable. Aprons only blow up or shift round, and are not worth carrying. You will be expected to subscribe to every pack you go out with. For odd days the staghounds exact a toll of half-a-guinea, but if you subscribe on the basis of £5 for every horse in your stud to the staghounds, £3 to the foxhounds, and £2 to the harriers, you will be doing what is fair to all parties. Hotel charges vary, but 25/- a week for your horse at livery and three guineas for yourself is about the average charge.

DORSET AND SOMERSET.

The Melton of the South-West.

The all-round sportsman with a moderate income, fond of hunting, shooting, fishing, polo, and country life generally, will probably find in Dorset the nearest approach to a fulfilment of his ideals in combination anywhere obtainable, and he who tries Sherborne, Yeovil, Blandford, Stalbridge, Taunton, or Chard (let us say) as a hunting quarter for one season will undoubtedly find the sporting attractions of the neighbourhood sufficiently great to return again and again in the future. Sherborne, with its fine Digby Hotel, must always rank first as a hunting centre in connection with Dorsetshire sport, for is it not "The Melton of South-West England"? And is there a country outside the Shires that can surpass the Blackmore Vale for wealth of coverts, stock of stout-running foxes, and extent of scent-carrying pastures? The fences and ditches come pretty quickly in the Blackmore Vale, and nowhere, perhaps, do you get a greater variety of jumps—flying fences, wide-banked doubles, timber and water. It is commonly believed that in a run with the Blackmore Vale you are "always in the air," and it is true that if you are to live with the pack you must be continually testing the "lepping" capacities of your hunter, for, as we have said, the brooks and fences and banks succeed each other very rapidly, and the gates are not so handy as they are in the Midlands. But in the Cheriton Vale, or the far-famed Sparkford and Lydford districts you can take the occasional brook or the fences in your stride almost anywhere, and the large grass enclosures are delightful to gallop over: whilst the Stalbridge Vale is regarded by many as the cream of the country.

The Horse for the Blackmore Vale.

For that part of the Blackmore Vale country—probably amounting to two-thirds of it—which is composed of small fields with big double fences, and is generally very holding, you require a short-backed horse with good loins and hocks and short legs. In the other part of the Blackmore Vale district, which is a flying country, a horse with more blood is required. You will seldom be off the grass, and, although there is some wire, most of it comes down during the hunting season. The Blackmore Vale Hounds hunt four and sometimes five days a week. A cap of £2 is collected from non-subscribers on the days when the meets are in the flying country, usually Tuesdays. A subscription of £11 a horse is expected, but a less subscription is accepted from an officer of the army and navy on full pay, serving at home. The Digby Hotel at Sherborne, has already been mentioned as a good place to hunt from, and from our own experience we can also say a good word for the "Antelope," at Sherborne, the "Ash," at Henstridge, the "Red Lion," at Stalbridge, and the "Greyhound," at Wincanton.

Yeovil and Chard.

Yeovil, in the South-Western corner of the Blackmore Vale, is a convenient hunting quarter, commanding some of the best meets in the fine open country of the Cattistock, who hunt four, and sometimes five, days a week. You might do worse, however, than go sixteen miles further west and pitch your tent at Chard. The fixtures of that sporting pack, the Cotley, are in the immediate neighbourhood, all the best meets of the Taunton Vale are within ten miles, and many of the Cattistock within the same radius, as well as those of the Seavington in their lovely flying grass country—one of the best in the South of England. Thus, with the four local packs mentioned one can generally rely upon five days' hunting a week over a good country, within easy hacking distance of Chard; whilst with a motor or by taking advantage of the excellent service of trains on the S. W. R. and G. W. R. the meets of the Blackmore Vale and more distant countries can be reached with ease.

The South and West Wilts Country.

To the north-east of the Blackmore Vale runs that wonderfully well-varied district covered by the South and West Wilts Hounds, which those who do not care for monotony in the land they ride over and the fences they jump will find a charming country. We would specialise Gillingham, Trowbridge, Warminster, and Shaftesbury as the best centres for the meets of the South and West Wilts Hounds, the last-named town being on the borders of Lord Portman's country. The type of hunter most useful with the South and West Wilts is a fairly well-bred short-backed horse, as the doubles in the Vale country take a lot of getting over. The proportion of hill country now hunted is small, constituting one of the three days a week, and here a thorough-bred would be very valuable.

Cattistock and South Dorset.

Under the present mastership, the reputation of the Cattistock country has gained rather than lost, and this is saying a good deal. You must be mounted on a bold, fast horse if you are to keep hounds in sight over the Cattistock pastures. Dorchester, Bridport and Weymouth are the best centres, the first-named for choice, because from Dorchester most of the meets of the South Dorset are easily accessible. Here again we have what may be called for the most part a flying country, for grass predominates, comparatively a small amount of plough being met with. A stout horse, short in the back and leg, is the sort for South Dorset, and he must be clever. Dorchester, as already mentioned, is a convenient quarter from which to hunt with this and the neighbouring Cattistock packs, but Wareham is more central; and Blandford is the best place for sportsmen desirous of following both the South Dorset and Lord Portman's. There is no fixed subscription with the South Dorset, people subscribing according to the number of times they go out, and there is no capping.

CHESHIRE AND NORTH WALES.**Over the Grass.**

Unlike the undulating pastures of the Shires, the "oceans of grass" in Cheshire are flat as a rule. They are split up into small dairy-farm enclosures, too, so that one is more constantly jumping in and out than when following hounds over Leicestershire. Fortunately, the hedge and ditch fences are fair and practicable; you seldom come to an unjumpable place. This frequent "lepping," however, soon shows the weak places in the field, and not only is a quick, clever, active horse essential, but he must have staying power of no mean order, or his rider will soon get to the end of him. Properly mounted on good, sturdy, short-legged horses (about 15.3 for choice) that are clever and rise well at their fences, you will derive as much enjoyment from riding to hounds in Cheshire as anywhere in England, and that it loses none of its attraction or popularity is shown by the large fields (many members of which come from long distances every season) seen out with both northern and southern packs year after year. Tarporley, of Hunt Club fame, whence meets of both packs can be reached, is a favourite and convenient centre, and Nantwich for the South and Sandiway for the North are good hunting quarters. Sir Watkin Wynn's country includes a portion of delectable vale; in which the enclosures are also small with easily negotiable fences, but the hill country is wild and rough. A similar stamp of horse to that mentioned above is required, and Whitchurch (whence meets of the South Cheshire, Shropshire and North Staffordshire can also be reached), Wrexham and Ellesmere are convenient centres. The Flint and Denbigh is almost entirely a banking country, where a short-legged, active horse, about 15.3, that can jump well, is the sort to have. St. Asaph and Denbigh are the best centres—both equally good—and the subscription to the Hunt is quite voluntary, for there is neither minimum nor "capping."

YORKSHIRE.**Hurworth and Lord Zetland's.**

There are fourteen packs of foxhounds in Yorkshire, and three which hunt part of Yorkshire and part of other counties. Cleveland, a three-days-a-week country, is in the extreme north of the county. A good deal of it is hill and moor, but there is some very good low country—plenty under certain circumstances for a day a week—though the woodlands are considerable, and there is rather more plough than grass. The horse for the country is a well-bred short coupled one, rather under than over sixteen hands. Guisborough, Saltburn or Redcar are centres from which all the country can easily be reached. The Hurworth, though kennelled in co. Durham, have most of their country in Yorkshire. The bulk of it is similar in character to the Cleveland country, not very large enclosures, fair hunting fences, and a fair proportion of grass, though, as in the Cleveland country, plough predominates. A sharp, clever horse, well-bred and powerful, is what is wanted. The best centres are Croft, Darlington and Northallerton, from which places all the country can be reached. From Croft, Lord Zetland's can also be got to, as well as a few of the best of the Bedale fixtures. Some of the South Durham can also be reached, but Darlington is handier for the South Durham fixtures, though not so handy for the Bedale. From Northallerton nearly the whole of the Bedale and Hurworth countries is reachable, but Lord Zetland's cannot be got at except at one or two places. The latter is a fine country, the southernmost portion of which adjoins the Bedale and Hurworth. It is a galloping country, riding considerably lighter than the stiff clays of the Hurworth and Cleveland countries, and there is more grass. Some of the country is rather trappy, deep, narrow ditches being frequent; so a clever horse is wanted, and a well-bred one to boot. Richmond is a good place to stop at, and a man who is satisfied with three days a week might do worse than make that picturesque town his quarters. He will be able to catch Lord Zetland's two days a week and the Bedale one, whilst the train will bring him into occasional touch with the Hurworth.

With the Bedale.

The Bedale is a good three-days-a-week country, with a good deal of moor and woodland on the west side of it. To the east, where it joins the York and Ainsty and Hurworth, there is some fine country, and also on the north, where it joins Lord Zetland's. A very similar class of horse is needed to that required for Lord Zetland's and the Hurworth. There are no banks, but fences and ditches are the main obstacles, and a horse must be "quick on his legs." From Bedale the whole of the country is easily reached, but it is impossible to hunt with another pack without the help of the railway.

York and Ainsty and Bramham Moor.

The York and Ainsty Hounds hunt over a wide district which embraces all kinds of country, and in which all descriptions of obstacles are to be met with. A horse with good breeding that can spread himself and has sense enough to allow for blind places is required. York is the best centre, but even from here the train will have to be resorted to about once a week, or three days a fortnight. The Bramham Moor joins the York and Ainsty, is very similar to it in many respects, and the same stamp of horse is required. Boston Spa and Harrogate are good centres, and one day a week with the York and Ainsty can be had from them. Leeds is also a centre for most fixtures, and from York the Friday meets are always within reach. Indeed, York is a capital place to stay at as Lord Middleton's Wednesdays are always convenient and the Sinnington low country fixtures are to be reached by train.

Rough but Sporting.

Rough moorland sport is obtainable in the Goathland, Bilsdale, Farndale and Staintondale countries, and the Badsworth is a wide country containing on the western side a lot of moor and woodland. The other part is a mixture of plough and grass in which on the whole the latter has slightly a preponderance. The best parts resemble the best of the York and Ainsty and Bramham Moor, and a similar class of horse is needed. The country between Doncaster and Selby is very deep, and takes some crossing, but it is a fine district when the wire is down. Lord Fitzwilliam's, like the Badsworth, is a good deal troubled with coal-mining, but there is some very good country for all that. There are big woodlands on the Doncaster side, and in the rest of the district plough and grass are about equally divided. Some of the low country is very good. Rotherham, Sheffield and Doncaster are centres. The Holderness is a fine plough country. Part of it is wold, joining the wolds in Lord Middleton's territory; the rest is flat land with big wide drains running through it, the country being all drained into four or five big "dykes."

IRELAND.**Cork as a Centre.**

In county Cork, which contains nearly one million acres of pasture, there are five packs of foxhounds—the Duhallow, Muskerry, the U. H. C. (United Hunt Club), the South Union, and the West Carbery. Of these the U. H. C., Muskerry and South Union often meet within a short distance of the City, while the train service to reach and return from the Duhallow country is most convenient. On Mondays the U. H. C. and Muskerry hounds are out; on Tuesdays the Duhallow and South Union meet; Wednesdays, U. H. C. and Muskerry; Thursdays, the Duhallow, whilst the C. C. H. in co. Waterford can also be reached occasionally by train to Youghal on that day; on Friday the U. H. C., Muskerry and South Union all take the field; and Saturday is the Duhallow day *in a good country*. It is wonderful what a lot of hunting a man with three stout horses may get from quarters in the City of Cork or its suburbs; and as second horses are not much in vogue down there one may hunt every day in the week with quite a small stud. There is no difficulty about obtaining a capital house in Cork or its immediate neighbourhood, with plenty of stabling, and at the Imperial Hotel the accommodation is good, while there are hospitable and comfortable clubs in the City. But if you object to be a dweller in city or suburb, there is charmingly-situated Mallow, from which *very* sporting little town you can fish for salmon, hunt with the Duhallow and U. H. C. in their Fermoy country, or have a day with the Muskerry. Hounds go fast in co. Cork, and you want an active bold horse, whose hocks and loins are beyond reproach, who has a bit of breeding, and can “*go on*.” He must be handy, too, for the glens in the U. H. C. and South Union country come as abruptly as Devon or Somerset combes.

Dublin as a Hunting Centre.

Some people have tried Dublin as a hunting quarter. The Meath Hounds hunt five days a week, Wednesday being the non-hunting day. But the Meath country is a very large one, and it is a very honest 10-mile drive from Kildare Street to Dunboyne, about the nearest meet to Dublin, so it will be seen that to hunt in Meath from Dublin the convenient train is the best covert hack. Of Kildare the same may be said. The Kildare Hounds go out on the same days as the Meath, except on Friday, when they do not hunt. On Wednesdays a meet of the Louth Hounds may at times be reached by train from the metropolis, and we must not forget the Ward Union Staghounds, which meet within reach of the City on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Navan the Ideal.

But to enjoy sport thoroughly in “the Royal Shire,” Navan or its vicinity is by far the best centre, indeed the town is absolutely the centre of the district, and hunting five days a week from Navan is easy work enough, for several meets of the Louth Hounds are within reach, and a capital train service carries one to the fine northern upland district known as the Loughcrew country. Northern Meath, with its undulating surface and upstanding fences, is vastly different from the flat southern or Dublin country, with its huge enclosures and wide open ditches, where the best horse that can be procured is a necessity; and to enjoy the sport properly there it is also a necessity to have a couple of horses out.

Naas, Kilkenny, Fethard, and Clonmel.

Kildare has for its best hunting centre the little town of Naas, in the vicinity of which the splendid kennels of the county pack are situated. It is essentially a grass country, and a strongly-fenced one. From Kilkenny one may manage five days a week pretty easily, putting in a day with Tipperary, Carlow or Castlecomer Hounds in addition to the county pack. There is good accommodation in the town of Kilkenny, and a handy, active horse is required—one, too, that must be able to jump stone walls. Tipperary's best centre is Fethard, and from this all that fine country can be reached with ease. Hounds go out nine days a fortnight, and a very good, fast-galloping horse is wanted. One or two of the best of the Kilkenny meets are within driving distance of Fethard, which must rank high as an Irish hunting centre. Clonmel is a pleasantly situated town, from which most of Tipperary can be reached, and also some meets of the Waterford Hounds. There is a club in the town, and pretty good hotel and stabling accommodation.

Waterford, Limerick, Galway, and other packs.

Waterford City possesses good hotels and plenty of stabling. The county hounds hunt five days a fortnight, and Mr. Lambert's Hounds can be reached with ease once a week and often twice. Turning west to Limerick we find a splendid country, part of which is quite the ideal bank and ditch grass country. Croom and Adare are the best centres, the town of Limerick being too much on one side. The hounds hunt three days a week. Loughrea is perhaps the best centre for hunting with the Galway “Blazers,” but Ballinasloe also commands many meets of the East Galway. Part of the “Blazers'” district is undoubtedly the finest stone wall country in the world. The Carlow and Wexford Hounds are now both two-days-a-week packs. Lord Fitzwilliam “marches” with them on their eastern frontier, so that Newtownbarry—where there is very comfortable accommodation—is now a good hunting centre in a beautiful country, where there is good salmon fishing also.

Hunt Subscriptions and "Capping."

THE following is a list of the arrangements made in the various hunting countries as regards subscriptions and "capping." Where the latter is not mentioned it is not practised so far as can be ascertained. Nor have we mentioned those cases where subscriptions are not asked for, or where no recognised rule obtains.

ENGLISH FOXHOUNDS.

Albrighton.—Minimum subscription, £5.
Atherstone.—Minimum subscription, £15.
Beaufort's, Duke of.—Minimum subscription, £10 per annum for every hunting day per week; officers on leave or quartered in country, half that rate.
Bedale.—Minimum subscription, £5 per horse.
O.B.H. (East).—Minimum subscription, £15 15s.
O.B.H. (West).—Minimum subscription, £10 10s.
Biesster.—Minimum subscription, for visitors, £10 per horse; other strangers, £35, unless subscribers of at least £25 to an adjoining pack, when £10 is required. These rules do not apply to landowners and covert owners in adjoining hunts, nor to members of Oxford University, nor to officers quartered in the country. Capping is not practised, but an extra strict scrutiny is exercised to keep away non-subscribers.
Bilsdale.—Minimum subscription, £10.
Blackmore Vale.—A cap of £2 is collected from non-subscribers on the days the meets are in the flying country—usually the Tuesdays—and a subscription of £11 a horse is expected. A smaller subscription is accepted from officers of the army and navy on full pay serving at home.
Blencathra.—Minimum subscription, 2s. 6d.
Bramham Moor.—Minimum subscription, £10. A cap of £1 per horse is demanded of everyone hunting with this pack, with the following exceptions: (1) Landowners, land agents, and farmers and their families in, and within 10 miles of, the Bramham Moor country; (2) Subscribers of £25 and upwards and their families; (3) Subscribers of £10 and upwards to the Bramham Moor and other neighbouring packs of foxhounds; (4) Soldiers of the regular army quartered in the district; (5) Soldiers of the Imperial Yeomanry; (6) Any other person whom for services of any kind rendered to hunting the Master may excuse; (7) Bonâ-fidé guests and servants of classes 1 and 2 only to be exempt, subject to such modification as the Committee may think fit.
Browne's, Mr. Scott.—No subscription, but a Poultry Fund.
Burstow.—Minimum subscription, £26 5s. A cap of £1 is enforced.
Carmarthenshire.—Minimum subscription, £3 3s.
Cheshire (South).—A cap of £1 is taken from every non-subscriber—landowners, land agents and farmers in the country being exempt.
Chiddingfold.—Minimum subscription, £10 10s.
Coquetdale.—Minimum subscription, £1 1s.
Cotswold.—Minimum subscription, £20 for members and £3 for the Poultry Fund; strangers are expected to contribute to the Poultry and Damage Fund.
Cotswold (North).—Minimum subscription for membership, £10.
Cottesmore.—A cap of £2 is taken from non-subscribers.
Craven.—Minimum subscription for membership, £10.
Crawley and Horsham.—Minimum subscription for membership, £15 15s. A cap of £1 is enforced. Farmers and officers in either service are excepted and also gentlemen hunting with the neighbouring packs unless they come out constantly.

Devon (East).—A cap is taken.
Devon (Mid).—Minimum subscription, £1 1s.
Durham (North).—Minimum subscription, £5.
Durham (South).—Subscription expected from regular followers, £15 15s. to £21 1s.
Eastbourne.—Minimum subscription, £10 10s. per horse. A cap of 10s. is expected from non-subscribers, but small subscriptions are received instead from visitors hunting for short periods.
Eridge.—Minimum subscription, £10 10s. Non-subscribers are expected to contribute to the Damage Fund.
Essex.—Minimum subscription, £31 10s.
Essex and Suffolk.—A cap of 10s. is taken.
Essex, East.—Minimum subscription, 10s. 6d.
Essex Union.—Minimum subscription for strangers, £10 10s.
Exmoor.—Minimum subscription, £2 2s. per horse. Visitors are expected to contribute a minimum of 5s. per day's hunting.
Fernie's, Mr.—Minimum subscription for membership, £25.
Fitzwilliam's, Earl.—A cap of 10s. for Wire and Poultry Fund.
Fitzwilliam's, Mr. George.—People hunting to these hounds who do not ride permanently in the country are expected to pay at least £25 to the hunt fund.
Four Burrow.—No subscription, except to the Damage Fund, for which a cap of 1s. is taken every advertised hunting day.
Garth.—Member's subscription, £15. A cap of £1 is taken.
Glamorgan.—Minimum subscription, £8 8s., with an additional £4 per annum to Poultry Fund. A 5s. cap is taken for the Poultry Fund from all except tenant farmers and their sons.
Grafton.—Minimum subscription, £25 for gentlemen, £10 for ladies. Anyone hunting more than one day a week must calculate their subscription on the basis of £15 per day per week for gentlemen, and £8 per day per week for ladies (this rule does not apply to officers on full pay). Non-subscribers to pay £2 each day, the money to be sent the day before hunting to Mr. J. C. Hunter, Greens Park, Blakesley, Towcester. Landowners and subscribers of £35 can bring out a friend.
Hambleton (East and West).—Minimum subscription, £5 per horse from those hunting regularly, with £1 in addition to the Poultry Fund.
H.H. (Hampshire).—No fixed minimum, but £10 per horse expected.
Hertfordshire.—Minimum subscription, £26 5s.
Heythrop.—Minimum subscription, £25.
Hursley.—Minimum subscription, £5 5s.
Isle of Wight.—Minimum subscription for membership, £10; for others, £5.
Kent (East).—Min. sub., £5 and a donation to the Poultry Fund; for members, £10 10s.
Kent (West).—Minimum subscription, £10 10s.
Ledbury.—£5 for each day per week expected.
Llangenor.—Minimum subscription, £22s. A cap is taken.
Llangibby.—Minimum subscription, £5 5s.
Meynell.—Minimum subscription for membership, £25.
Monmouthshire.—Subscription to the Hunt Club, £5. Non-members expected to give to the Covert Fund.
New Forest.—Minimum subscription to the Hunt Club, £10.
Newmarket and Thurlow.—Minimum subscription, £5 5s.
Norfolk (West).—Every member of the Hunt who hunts regularly is expected to pay £2 for the season to the Covert Fund, or if not hunting regularly he can pay to the cap which is not less than 2s. 6d. whenever he comes out. Strangers can put in just what they like in the same way, the proceeds going to the Covert Fund.

Portman's, Lord.—Minimum subscription to Poultry Fund, £5; no subscription otherwise.

Puckeridge.—Minimum subscriptions, £10 10s.

Pytchley.—Minimum subscription, £25. A cap of £2 is taken, landowners and farmers in and within five miles of the hunt boundaries and officers stationed in the east and north-west districts exempted.

Pytchley (Woodland).—Minimum subscription, £20.

Quorn.—Minimum subscription for membership, £40. Visitors are expected to subscribe at the rate of not less than £25 per day per week. There is a £1 cap for non-subscribers.

Rolle's, Hon. Mark.—Minimum subscription, £5 in proportion to the number of horses used.

Sherbrooke's, Mr.—Minimum subscription, £5.

Shropshire, North.—No subscription, except to Damage Fund.

Silverton.—A cap is taken.

Southdown.—Minimum subscription, £10 10s., and £1 1s. in addition to the Poultry Fund. A cap of £1 is taken.

Staffordshire (North).—Minimum subscription, £10.

Staffordshire (South).—Minimum subscription, £5 5s. A cap of 10s 6d. is taken for the Covert Fund from non-subscribers.

Suffolk.—A cap is taken.

Surrey, Old.—Minimum Subscription, £10 10s.

Surrey Union.—Minimum subscription, £15 15s.

Taunton Vale.—Minimum subscription for membership, £7 7s. Subscriptions also expected to the Poultry Fund, for which a cap is taken from non-subscribers.

Tedworth.—Visitors are expected to subscribe at the rate of £10 per horse.

Tiverton.—Minimum subscription, £5 5s.

Tivyside.—Minimum subscription, £5.

Tynedale.—Minimum subscription to the Hounds, £10 to the Hunt Club, £10 10s.

V.W.H. (Cirencester).—Minimum subscription for gentlemen, £10 for each day per week; ladies, £5.

V.W.H. (Cricklade).—Minimum subscription, £10 for each day per week.

Vine.—Minimum subscription for membership, £20.

Warwickshire.—Minimum subscription, £10. A cap of £2 is taken, landowners and farmers within five miles of the limits of the Warwickshire Hunt excepted.

Warwickshire (North).—Same as the Warwickshire.

Western.—No subscription, but contributions received for the Damage Fund.

Whaddon Chase.—Minimum subscription, £35. A cap is taken.

Worcestershire.—Minimum subscription, £5 to the Hunt Fund and £2 in addition to the Poultry Fund. A cap of £2 is taken.

York and Ainsty.—Minimum subscription for members, £25 per annum, and £2 per annum to the Poultry Fund. £1 cap, with certain exemptions.

Ystrad and Pentyrch.—Minimum subscription, £3 3s. A cap of 5s. is taken.

Zetland's, Marquis of.—No subscriptions, except to the Covert and Poultry Fund.

IRISH FOXHOUNDS.

Carbery (West).—A cap is taken on November 1st, December 26th, and March 17th; beyond that there is no intention of adopting "capping."

Carlow.—Minimum subscription, £5. Field-money, 2s. 6d.

Coshmore and Coshbride.—A small cap is taken.

De Clifford's, Lord.—Field-money, 2s. 6d.

Duhallow.—Field-money, 2s. 6d.

Fitzwilliam's, Lord, and Island.—Minimum subscription, £1, which goes to the Covert Fund. A small cap is taken.

Galway (County).—Minimum subscription, £15. Field-money, 2s. 6d.

Galway (East).—Minimum subscription, £5. A cap of 2s. 6d. is taken from everybody except ladies.

Kildare.—Minimum subscription for members, £10 10s.; additional contributions expected for Wire and Poultry Funds. Field-money for members, 2s. 6d.; for others, 10s. a day. A fund has been started to remove wire or make fences jumpable in places.

Kilkenny.—£5 per horse expected and a cap is taken.

King's County.—Minimum subscription, £3. Field-money, 2s. 6d.

Lambert's, Mr.—Minimum subscription, £5 per horse. A cap is taken.

Limerick.—Minimum subscription, £6 6s. Field-money, 2s. 6d.

Louth.—Minimum subscription, £5. Field-money, 2s. 6d., to the Earth Stopping Fund.

Meath.—Minimum subscription, £10 10s. A small cap of 2s. 6d. is taken (field-money), from which there are no exemptions except working farmers.

Muskerry.—Subscription, £15. From those subscribing less 2s. 6d. field money is taken, and a cap of 5s. from non-subscribers.

Ormond.—A cap of 2s. 6d. is taken.

Queen's County and Castlecomer.—Field-money, 2s. 6d.

South Union.—Minimum subscription, £5. A cap of 5s. is taken.

Tipperary.—Field-money, 2s. 6d.

United Hunt Club.—Minimum subscription for membership, £10; for non-members, £5. Field-money, 2s. 6d. for members, 5s. for non-subscribers (farmers excepted).

Waterford.—Minimum subscription for membership, £10. A cap of 2s. 6d. is taken.

Westmeath.—Minimum subscription, £5; for tenant farmers, £2 2s. Field-money, 2s. 6d., ladies, children, farmers and ministers of religion excepted.

Wexford.—Minimum subscription, £6 6s. Strangers hunting more than six days expected to subscribe.

SCOTTISH FOXHOUNDS.

Eskdaill.—Minimum subscription, £1 1s.

Lanarkshire and Renfrewshire.—Minimum subscription, £10 and in proportion with the number of horses used.

Linlithgow and Stirlingshire.—Minimum subscription, £10.

ENGLISH STAGHOUNDS.

Berks and Bucks.—Minimum subscription, £10 10s. A small cap is taken.

Devon and Somerset.—No fixed minimum subscription. There is a cap of 10s. 6d. a day.

Enfield Chase.—Membership subscription, £21. Subscribers hunting on Saturdays only are expected to pay £15 15s.; those hunting on Tuesdays and Thursdays only, £15 15s. Subscription for members of other Hunts, entitling them to hunt with the Enfield Chase whenever they choose, £10 10s. Non-subscribers are capped £1 1s., but a subscription is expected if out more than five times.

Mid-Kent.—Non-subscribers are capped £1.

Quatock.—No subscription or cap, but there is a Deer Damage Fund.

Surrey.—Minimum subscription, £26 5s. for one day per week. Cap, £1.

Warnham.—Minimum subscription, £25. Cap, £1.

IRISH STAGHOUNDS.

Down, County.—Minimum subscription, £10. Field-money, 2s. 6d., ladies and farmers excepted.

Templemore.—No fixed minimum subscription. A cap of 2s. is taken.

Ward Union.—Minimum subscription, £5.

Westmeath (South).—A cap is taken.

ENGLISH HARRIERS.

- Anglesey.**—Minimum subscription, £1.
Ashburton.—Any subscription accepted.
Ashford Valley.—Any subscription accepted.
Aspull.—Cap of 5s. a day from non-subscribers.
Axe Vale.—Minimum subscription, 10s. 6d.; a cap is taken when fox-hunting.
Bath and County.—A cap is taken.
Bexhill.—Minimum subscription, £5 5s.; a cap is taken.
Brighton and Brookside.—Minimum subscription, £10 10s.; a cap of 5s. from non-subscribers.
Cambridgeshire.—Minimum subscription, £5.
Cotley.—A cap is taken for the Earth-Stopping Fund, the Cotley hunting fox as well as hare.
Cumberland Brampton.—A cap of 2s. 6d. is taken from subscribers of less than 10s.
Fowey.—An occasional cap is taken.
Furlong.—Minimum subscription, 15s.
Hailsham.—Minimum subscription, £1 1s.; an occasional cap is taken.
Haldon.—Any subscription accepted.
Hallam and Eccleshall.—Minimum subscription, 10s. 6d.
Holcombe.—Minimum subscription for full members, £25
Holmfirth, Honley and Meltham.—Minimum subscription, 2s. 6d.
Kent, West.—Those hunting who are not land owners, occupiers, or subscribers of not less than £5 5s. for each horse out, are capped.
Minehead.—A cap is taken.
Modbury.—Minimum subscription, 10s. 6d.; an occasional cap is taken.
Rochdale.—Minimum subscription, £21; a cap is taken
Rockwood.—Subscription of £5 5s. entitles members to fixture-cards.
Rossendale.—Minimum subscription, £5
South Molton.—Any subscription accepted.
Taunton Vale.—Minimum subscription, £3 3s.
Vale of Lune.—Minimum subscription, £1 1s.
Wells Subscription.—Minimum subscription, 2s. 6d.
Wirral.—Minimum subscription, £10 10s.

IRISH HARRIERS.

- Ballymacad.**—Minimum subscription, £1; a cap is taken.
Brisco's, Captain.—A cap is taken.
Corolanty.—A cap is taken.
Derry.—Minimum subscription, £5; a cap is taken.
Derry Castle.—A cap is taken.
Down, North.—Minimum subscription, £10 10s.; a cap is taken.
Dundalk.—Minimum subscription, £2; for farmers, £1; field-money, 2s. 6d.
Edenderry and District.—Minimum subscription, £2; a cap is taken
Fermanagh.—Minimum subscription, £5 5s.; a cap is taken.
Fingal.—Minimum subscription, £1; a cap is taken.
Iveagh.—Minimum subscription for members, £5; a cap is taken
Killultagh, Old Rock, and Chichester.—Minimum subscription for members, £10 10s.; for non-hunting members, farmers, and members of other hunts, £5 5s.; non-subscribers are capped 5s.
Newry.—Minimum subscription, £5; a cap is taken.
Roscommon.—A cap is taken.
Route.—Minimum subscription, £5; a cap is taken.
Scarteen.—Any subscription taken; non-subscribers capped 2s.
Seskinore.—Minimum subscription, £1.
Tynan and Armagh.—Minimum subscription, £1.

ENGLISH DRAGHOUNDS.

- Banstead.**—Minimum subscription, £10 10s.
Greenford.—Minimum subscription, £10 10s.
Middlesex Farmers.—Minimum subscription, £21 (membership limited to from 20 to 22).

Horse Repositories of the United Kingdom.

We append a List of the Repositories throughout the United Kingdom where horses can be bought and sold:—

AUCTIONEERS.	DAYS OF SELLING.	ADDRESS.
Bainbridge, Mr. W.	Various	The Repository, Warrington, Lancashire.
Birmingham & Warwickshire Repository, Ltd.	Thursdays	Hill and Station Streets, Birmingham
Bond & Sons, Messrs. Robert ..	Tuesdays	Repository, Ipswich.
Bradshaw & Sons, Messrs. E. ...	Alternate Mondays	Whitworth Street, Oxford Street, Manchester.
Bradwell & Sons, Messrs. J. H. ...	Alternate Fridays	Midland Counties' Horse Repository, Parliament Street, Nottingham.
Cave, Messrs.	Thursdays	The Repository (Cave's), Moseley Street, Birmingham.
Collings, Mr.	Fridays	Horse Repository, Paris Street, Exeter.
Cooper, Mr. James	Saturdays	Cooper's Horse Repository, Newcastle-on-Tyne
Corpe & Co., Messrs. W. T.	Various	Blackmore Vale Repository, Yeovil.
Croall & Sons, Ltd., Messrs. John ...	Wednesdays	Royal Horse Bazaar, Castle Terrace, Edinburgh.
Crow, Messrs. A. T. & E. A.	Various	The Repository, Sunderland
Darby & Co., Messrs. Joseph	Monthly Sales	The Repository, Castle Green, Taunton
Deacon, Mr. T. Hooper... ..	Mondays	V. W. H. Repository, Swindon.
Dilley, Son & Read, Messrs.	Monthly Sales	The Repository, St. Ives, Hunts.
Ensor & Son, Messrs. T.	Various	Horse Repository, Wimborne, Dorset, and at Dorchester.
Escritt & Barrell, Messrs.	Thursdays	Lincolnshire Horse Repository, Grantham.
Fitt, Mr. W. B.	Various	Hartigan's Repository, Limerick.

Freeman, Messrs W. & S (Aldridge's)	Wednesdays and Saturdays ..	Aldridge's Repository, St. Martin's Lane, London, W.C.
Gale, Mr. E. J.	Various	Southminster, Essex.
Goff & Co., Messrs. Robert J.	First Tuesday in each month	Henry Street, Newbridge, Co. Kildare. Special Annual Sales at the Dublin Horse Show.
Hall, Wateridge & Owen, Messrs.	Last Friday and Saturday in each month.	The Raven New Repository, Shrewsbury.
Harrison & Son, Messrs. R.	First Thursdays in Jan., Mar., April, May, June, July, Aug., Nov. and Dec., and on special dates.	Harrison's Auction Mart, Carlisle.
Hepper & Sons, Messrs.... ..	First Tuesday in each month	Yorkshire Repository, York Place, Leeds.
Hetherington, Messrs.	First Thursdays in every month, except Feb., when sale is held on second Thursday, and Oct., when sale is held on second Wednesday.	Hetherington's Auction Mart, Earl's Street, Carlisle.
Hill, Mr. Phillip E.	Various	Corporation Horse Repository, St. Mary Street, Cardiff.
Jones & Son, Messrs.	"	Horse Repository, Wrexham; and at Llangollen.
Knight, Mr.	"	Bromyard, Herefordshire.
Larkinson, Mr. S.	Wednesdays	Horse Repository, Wolverhampton
Lloyd & Sons, Messrs. Frank (Crewe) (Wrexham)	Various	Cheshire Repository, Crewe.
Manley & Sons, Messrs. Hy.	"	North Wales Repository, Wrexham.
Mansell & Co., Messrs. Alfred	"	Crewe Horse Repository, Crewe.
London Horse and Carriage Repository (Manager, Mr. George Stewart).	Mondays and Thursdays ...	College Hill, Shrewsbury.
Low, Mr. Gavin	Various	Horse Repository, Elephant and Castle, London, S.E.
Lowry & Sons, Messrs. Joseph... ..	"	Prussia Street, Dublin.
Lucas & Co., Messrs.	"	Kells and Navan, Ireland.
Maughan, Messrs. T. & I.	Various	Horse and Carriage Repository, Hotham Street, Liverpool.
Mitchell's Auction Co., Ltd.	First Friday in each month, except Feb. and Oct.	The Repository, Liverpool; and also Gateshead Auction Mart, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
Nicholson, Greaves & Co., Messrs.	Tuesdays	Agricultural Hall, Cockermouth.
O'Brien, Mr. Thomas	Various	Castle Hill Repository, Sheffield.
Read, Stanford & Gayford, Messrs.	"	Repository, Union Quay, Cork, Ireland
Robson, Ltd., Messrs. John	First Wednesday in each month; second Friday following each Fair Day.	Beccles, Suffolk.
Sewell, Son & Simpson, Messrs.	Various	Victoria Horse Repository, Belfast
Sexton, Grimwade & Beck, Messrs.	"	Mount Street, Dublin. Special Annual Sales at the Dublin Horse Show.
Shepherd, Mr. Joseph	Tuesdays	King's Lynn, Peterborough, Derby.
Smith, Messrs. W. J.	Mondays and Wednesdays ...	Horse Repository, 317 to 319, Prescott Road, Stanley, Liverpool.
Stapleton, Messrs.	Mondays and Thursdays ...	The Repository, Park Street, Manchester.
Stephenson & Alexander, Messrs	Various	Stapleton's Royal Repository, Commercial Street, E.C.
Stollery, Mr. R. N.	Tuesdays and Fridays	The Repository, 5, High Street, Cardiff.
Strangeways & Co., Messrs.	Tuesdays and Fridays	Barbican Royal Repository, London, E.C.
Tattersall, Messrs.	Mondays, and Thursdays also at certain seasons.	Horse and Carriage Repository, Francis Street, Manchester.
Walker & Sons, Messrs... ..	Thursdays	Knightsbridge, London, S.W.; also a branch establishment for hound sales at the New Kennels adjoining the Railway Station, Rugby.
Ward, Mr. Henry	Tuesdays and Fridays	Periodical sales of bloodstock at Newmarket and Doncaster.
Warner, Sheppard & Wade, Ltd., Messrs. (Leicester).	Saturdays, and Wednesdays also at certain seasons.	The Horse Repository, York.
Warner, Sheppard & Wade, Ltd., Messrs. (Cheltenham).	Thursdays	Edgware Road Horse Repository, Paddington, London, W.
Whitendale & Watson, Messrs.	Various	The Repository, Leicester.
Winterton & Sons, Messrs.	Monthly Sales (usually Friday)	The Repository (late Humphrey's), Cheltenham.
Woods & Co., Messrs.	First Saturday in each month, except April, when second Saturday.	Horse Repository, Nuneaton (also at Coventry every alternate Tuesday).
		The Horse Repository, Lichfield.
		The Repository, Cattle Market, Northampton.

Societies and Institutions.

MASTERS OF FOXHOUNDS' ASSOCIATION.

PRESIDENT: Viscount Galway, M.F.H.

HON. SECRETARY: Mr. J. Rooke Rawlence, Tattersall's, Knightsbridge, London.

EDITOR OF THE FOXHOUND KENNEL STUD BOOK: Mr. H. E. Preston, Bishophorpe, York.

OBJECTS OF THE ASSOCIATION: The publication of the Foxhound Kennel Stud Book, the settlement of hunt disputes referred to them for consideration, and the furtherance of the interests of foxhunting generally.

ANNUAL MEETING: At Tattersall's, Knightsbridge, on Monday in Derby week.

ASSOCIATION OF MASTERS OF HARRIERS AND BEAGLES.

PRESIDENT: Mr. J. C. Vaughan Pryse-Rice.

HON. SECRETARY: Mr. Arthur L. Mercer, Rodmersham House, Near Sittingbourne.

HON. TREASURER: Mr. C. W. M. Kemp, 43, Sloane Gardens, S.W.

HON. SECRETARY TO THE BEAGLE COMMITTEE: Mr. E. H. Humphreys, The Rock House, Bromsgrove.

OBJECTS OF THE ASSOCIATION: The publication of the Harrier and Beagle Stud Book, and the formation of rules for the Peterborough Show (Harriers and Beagles).

ANNUAL MEETING: At Tattersall's, Knightsbridge, on the last Tuesday in April.

ANNUAL DINNER: At Peterborough on the night previous to the Show.

ASSOCIATION OF HUNT SECRETARIES.

HON. SECRETARY: Mr. Philip Barnett, Hon. Sec. V.W.H. (Lord Bathurst's) Hunt, 3, Bromley Terrace, Cirencester.

OBJECTS OF THE ASSOCIATION: Co-operation of Hunt Secretaries in the discussion of the "business" part of fox-hunting; for the better understanding of the unwritten laws of fox-hunting; and the determination, as far as possible, of a generally accepted system on broad lines, as to the treatment of such matters as "capping," subscriptions, motors, second horsemen, poultry claims, wire and damage funds, etc.

ANNUAL MEETING: At Tattersall's, Knightsbridge, on the Monday in Derby week.

HUNTERS' IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.

PRESIDENT: The Hon. E. S. Douglas-Pennant, M.F.H.

SECRETARY: Mr. A. B. Charlton, 12, Hanover Square, London, W.

OBJECTS: (1) To improve the breed, and promote the breeding of hunters, and other horses used for riding or driving, and for military purposes; (2) to give premiums at Spring shows, and obtain for breeders the use of sound stud-horses at moderate service fees; (3) to publish stud books of hunter stallions and mares, and use means to induce the various agricultural societies to offer prizes at their shows for mares and young stock; (4) to attract public

attention to a subject so important to the nation, and to spread knowledge of the principles upon which a better class of horse may be bred.

HUNT SERVANTS' BENEFIT SOCIETY.

PATRON: His Majesty the King.

PRESIDENT: The Marquis of Zetland, M.F.H.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: The Marquis, Viscount Portman and Lord Tredegar (Trustees), Mr. W. N. Heysham (Hon. Auditor), Viscount Valentia, Lord Chesham, the Earl of Coventry, Viscount Galway, Earl Bathurst, Mr. J. R. Lane Fox, Mr. Charles Travess, Mr. Frank Gillard, Mr. R. Stovin.

HONORARY TREASURER: Mr. William Mortimer.

AUDITOR: Mr. Frank Whinney.

SECRETARY: Mr. S. Laing Moffat.

OFFICES: 40, Brompton Road, London, S.W.

OBJECTS: To provide to Huntsmen and Whippers-in of a Fox or Stag Hunting Establishment in the United Kingdom, being Benefit Members—

1st—A Weekly Allowance of Fifteen Shillings in case of Sickness or Accident.

2nd—An Annuity of £39 after the age of 60 or 65 years.

3rd—A Provision for Widows and Children.

SUBSCRIPTIONS: An annual subscription according to scale, to participate in all or any of the provisions before stated, constitutes a Benefit Member. Payment of a donation £5 or more, or an annual subscription of £1 and upwards, for the purpose of increasing the payments to Benefit Members, constitutes an Honorary Member. Donations or subscriptions should be sent to the Secretary—Cheques to be crossed and marked "Not negotiable." Post Office Orders to be made payable at Knightsbridge, London. Lloyd's Bank, Limited, 16, St. James' Street, London, S.W., and the National Provincial Bank and branches, also receive donations and annual subscriptions.

ANNUAL MEETING: The day after the Derby in the Subscription Room at Tattersall's, at 11 a.m.

BROOD MARE SOCIETY.

PRESIDENT: Lord Rothes.

HON. SECRETARY: Mr. W. Phillpotts Williams, 7, Carwinion Terrace, Liskeard, Cornwall.

OBJECTS: (1) Acquiring by gift or purchase, suitable mares for breeding, riding, and driving horses, such mares to be mated with sires approved by the Society. (2) Enabling farmers and breeders to obtain such mares on prescribed conditions. (3) Obtaining subscriptions from the public.

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

LONDON OFFICE: 26, Charles Street, St. James', S.W.

SECRETARY AND ACTING TREASURER: Mr. C. B. Shaw.

OBJECTS: To provide pensions for *bona-fide* Farmers, their Wives, Widows, and Unmarried Orphan Daughters.

ALLOWANCES AND PENSIONS: Married Couples, £40 per annum; Males, £26 per annum; Widows and Unmarried Orphan Daughters, £20 per annum.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIBER of 10s. 6d. one vote, and an additional vote for every additional 10s. 6d.

Winners at the Peterborough Foxhound Show (cont).

Class.	Hounds.	Hunt.
Brood bitches ...	{ Secret ...	1st, Pytchley
Champion Cup ...	{ Alice ...	2nd, Mr. Fernie's.
	{ Worthy ...	Mr. Fernie's.

Judges—W. E. Rigden, Esq., M.F.H.; H. E. Preston, Esq., and A. F. B. Cresswell, Esq., M.F.H.

1902.—JULY 9TH. 24 Packs Represented.

Class.	Hounds.	Hunt.
Couple of unentered hounds ...	{ Dasher and Handel ...	1st, Holderness
Special prize for best unentered hound ...	{ Struggler and Villager ...	2nd, Atherstone
Best unentered hound from pack which had not won a first prize since 1897 ...	{ Struggler ...	Atherstone
Duke of Sutherland's Cup for best two couples of entered hounds ...	{ Handel ...	1st, Holderness
	{ Dasher ...	2nd, Holderness.
Stallion hound ...	{ Samson, Warrior, Tuner and Sinbad ...	1st, Warwickshire.
Champion Cup ...	{ Demon, Dampier, Driver and Rambler ...	2nd, Atherstone.
	{ Challenger ...	1st, Atherstone.
	{ Comrade ...	2nd, Atherstone.
	{ Challenger ...	Atherstone.

Judges—T. Butt Miller, Esq., M.F.H., and C. B. E. Wright, Esq., M.F.H.

BITCHES.

Couple of unentered hounds ...	{ Dairymaid and Damsel ...	1st, V.W.H. (Cirencester).
Special prize for best unentered hound ...	{ Drosky and Rainbow ...	2nd, Duke of Beaufort's.
Best unentered hound from pack which had not won a first prize since 1897 ...	{ Sanguine ...	Holderness.
Two couples of entered hounds not over seven seasons ...	{ Sanguine ...	1st, Holderness.
	{ Sportly ...	2nd, Dumfriesshire.
Brood bitches ...	{ Sappho, Harpy, Triplet and Whimsey ...	1st, Warwickshire
Champion Cup ...	{ Talent, Handsome, Powerful and Toilet ...	2nd, Mr. Fernie's.
	{ Trusty ...	1st, Mr. W. M. Wroughton's.
	{ Tragedy ...	2nd, Warwickshire
	{ Sanguine ...	Holderness.

Judges—Sir Bache Cunard, Bart., and C. D. Seymour, Esq., M.F.H.

1903.—JULY 8TH. 21 Packs Represented.

Class.	Hounds.	Hunt.
Couple of unentered hounds ...	{ Godfrey and Rover ...	1st, Pytchley.
Special prize for best unentered hound ...	{ Student and Darter ...	2nd, Atherstone.
Best unentered hound from pack which had not won since 1898 ...	{ Stentor ...	V.W.H. (Cirencester).
Two couples of entered hounds not over seven seasons ...	{ Harper ...	1st, Mr. G. Fitzwilliam's.
	{ Colonist ...	2nd, Puckeridge.
	{ Rambler, Struggler, Villager and Streamer ...	1st, Atherstone
Stallion hounds ...	{ Contest, Guardsman, Dutchman and General ...	2nd, Oakley.
Champion Cup ...	{ Gaylad ...	1st, Mr. W. M. Wroughton's.
	{ Pedlar ...	2nd, Warwickshire
	{ Stentor ...	V.W.H. (Cirencester)

Judges—Sir William Curtis, Bart., M.F.H., and J. S. H. Fullerton, Esq.

BITCHES.

Couple of unentered hounds ...	{ Ringlet and Rightful ...	1st, Mr. G. Fitzwilliam's.
Special prize for best unentered hound ...	{ Traffic and Tranquil ...	2nd, Warwickshire
Best unentered hound from pack which had not won since 1898 ...	{ Forfeit ...	Holderness.
Two couples of entered hounds not over seven seasons ...	{ Lusty ...	1st, Mr. G. Fitzwilliam's.
	{ Bluebell ...	2nd, Dumfriesshire
	{ Dairymaid, Damsel, Dabchick and Waspish ...	1st, V.W.H. (Cirencester).
Brood bitches ...	{ Wilful, Sociable, Wanton and Subtle. ...	2nd, Warwickshire
Mr. Gerald Hardy's Champion Cup ...	{ Pastime ...	1st, Sinnington
	{ Waspish ...	2nd, V.W.H. (Cirencester).
	{ Whisper ...	Mr. W. M. Wroughton's.

Judges—Colonel Robertson-Aikman and Lancelot Rolleston, Esq.

1904.—JULY 6TH. 21 Packs Represented.

Class.	Hounds.	Hunt.
Couple of unentered hounds ...	{ Factor and Furrier ...	1st, Rufford.
Special prize for best unentered hound ...	{ Conquest and Spencer ...	2nd, Atherstone.
Best unentered hound from pack which had not won since 1899 ...	{ Furrier ...	Rufford.
Two couples of entered hounds not over seven seasons ...	{ Furrier ...	1st, Rufford.
	{ Druid ...	2nd, Duke of Beaufort's.
Sallion hounds ...	{ Guardsman, General, Denton and Bedford ...	1st, Oakley.
Champion Cup ...	{ Sampler, Villager, Dancer and Gameboy ...	2nd, Mr. Fernie's.
	{ Guardsman ...	1st, Oakley.
	{ General ...	2nd, Oakley.
	{ Traveller ...	Warwickshire.

Judges—W. H. Dunn, Esq., and John Watson, Esq., M.F.H.

BITCHES.

Couple of unentered hounds ...	{ Fidget and Filbert ...	1st, Mr. Fernie's.
Special prize for best unentered hound ...	{ Victory and Rainbow ...	2nd, Atherstone.
Best unentered hound from pack which had not won since 1899 ...	{ Sanguine ...	Mr. G. Fitzwilliam's
Two couples of entered hounds not over seven seasons ...	{ Prudence ...	1st, Lanark and Renfrewshire.
	{ Brevity ...	2nd, Rufford.
Brood bitches ...	{ Drapery, Drosky, Dagmar and Lightly ...	1st, Duke of Beaufort's.
Champion Cup ...	{ Trusty, Dora, Gadfly and Sportive ...	2nd, Mr. Wroughton's.
	{ Dagmar ...	1st, Atherstone.
	{ Beauty ...	2nd, Pytchley.
	{ Hester ...	Atherstone.

Judges—J. C. Straker, Esq., M.F.H., and C. B. E. Wright, Esq., M.F.H.

1905.—JULY 5TH. 21 Packs Represented.

Class.	Hounds.	Hunt.
Couple of unentered hounds ...	{ Troncor and Venturer ...	1st, Atherstone.
Special Prize for best unentered hound ...	{ Gainer and Galliard ...	2nd, Essex and Suffolk.
Best unentered hound from pack which had not won since 1900 ...	{ Venturer ...	Atherstone.
Two couples of entered hounds not over seven seasons ...	{ Galliard ...	1st, Essex and Suffolk.
	{ Ackerman ...	2nd, Cleveland.
Stallion hounds ...	{ Document, Spencer, Conquest & Crannier ...	1st, Atherstone.
Champion Cup ...	{ Handel, Darter, Tapster and Reveller ...	2nd, Holderness.
	{ Harper ...	1st, Mr. G. Fitzwilliam's.
	{ Struggler ...	2nd, Atherstone.
	{ Harper ...	Mr. G. Fitzwilliam's

Judges—H. E. Preston, Esq., M.F.H., and J. Maunsell Richardsen, Esq.

BITCHES.

Couple of unentered hounds ...	{ Discipline and Winifred ...	1st, Mr. G. Fitzwilliam's.
Special Prize for best unentered hound ...	{ Pilgrim and Pintail ...	2nd, North Cotswold.
Best unentered hound from pack which had not won since 1900 ...	{ Pilgrim ...	North Cotswold.
Two couples of entered hounds not over seven seasons ...	{ Pilgrim ...	1st, North Cotswold.
	{ Tempest ...	2nd, Percy.
Brood bitches ...	{ Gesture, Gentle, Ruby and Risible ...	1st, Pytchley.
Champion Cup ...	{ Sappho, Sociable, Article and Finkie ...	2nd, Warwickshire
	{ Damsel ...	1st, V.W.H. (Cirencester).
	{ Vanish ...	2nd, Atherstone.
	{ Damsel ...	V.W.H. (Cirencester).

Judges—Sir H. Langhani, Bart., and the Rev. E. A. Milne, M.F.H.

Winners at the Peterborough Harrier Show.

1905.—JULY 6th. 18 Packs Represented.

Dogs.		
Between 16 and 19 inches.		
Class.	Hounds.	Hunt.
Couple of unentered hounds	Syntax and Gambler ...	Epping Forest.
Couple of entered hounds	Tinker and Comrade ...	1st, North Bucks.
	Whipster and Streamer	2nd, Epping Forest
Silver Cup for best three couples	Whipster, Streamer, Whynot, Syntax, Galant and Seaman ...	Epping Forest.
Champion Cup	Comrade ...	North Bucks.
Between 16 and 21 inches.		
Best hound from pack which had not won a prize since 1901	Cotswold ...	North Bucks.
Between 19 and 21 inches.		
Couple of unentered hounds	Woodman & Wanderer	1st, Mrs. Pryse-Rice's.
	Randolph & Sparkler ...	2nd, Vale of Lune.
Couple of entered hounds	Hotspur and Linesman	1st, Colonel Robertson-Aikman's.
	Fairplay and Demon ...	2nd, Aspull.
Silver Cup for best three couples	Grasmere, Ganymede, Hotspur, Linesman, Millionaire and Scoffer ...	Col. Robertson-Aikman's.
Champion Cup	Linesman ...	Col. Robertson-Aikman's.
	Racer ...	1st, Colonel Robertson-Aikman's.
Stallion hounds	Grasmere ...	2nd, Colonel Robertson-Aikman's.

BITCHES.

Between 19 and 21 inches.		
Class.	Hounds.	Hunt.
Couple of unentered hounds	Garment and Garter ...	1st, Col. Robertson-Aikman's.
	Ladylove and Lively ...	2nd, Boddington.
Couple of entered hounds	Rachel and Gadfly ...	1st, Col. Robertson-Aikman's.
	Playful and Poverty ...	2nd, Mr. E. O. Carpenter's.
Silver Cup for best three couples	Rachel, Gadfly, Grace ul, Traffic, Garnish and Wager ...	Col. Robertson-Aikman's.
Champion Cup	Heather ...	Hopetoun.
Between 16 and 21 inches.		
Silver Cup for brood bitches	Rachel ...	Col. Robertson-Aikman's.
Between 16 and 19 inches.		
Couple of unentered hounds	Saucy and Speedy ...	Mr E. O. Carpenter's.
Couple of entered hounds	Frantic and Glory ...	1st, Dunston.
	Warbler and Villainy ...	2nd, Crickhowell.
Silver cup for the best three couples	Frantic, Glory, Guileful, Gratitude, Heroine and Redwing ...	Dunston.
Champion Cup	Glory ...	Dunston.

Judges—Fred T. Poyser Esq., and J. C. Straker, Esq.

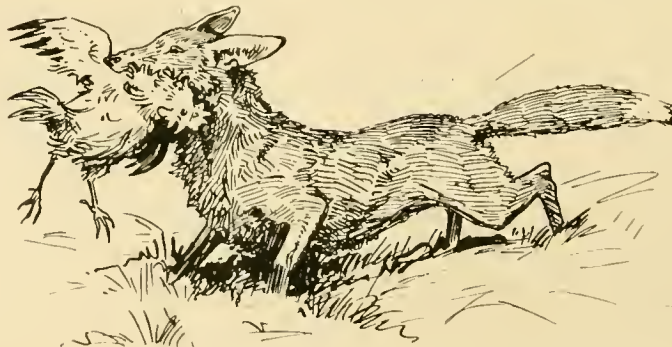
Winners at the Peterborough Beagle Show.

1905.—JULY 6th. 10 Packs Represented.

Class.	Hounds.	Hunt.
Best couple, any age and either sex	Forager and Ranter ...	Halstead Place.
Best couple belonging to pack which had never won at Peterborough since 1901	Searcher and Songstress	Halstead Place.
Best couple of unentered hounds	Searcher and Songstress	1st, Halstead Place.
	Reckless and Cobbler ...	2nd, Chawston.
Best couple of entered dog-hounds	Archie and Master ...	1st, Stoke Place.
Champion Cup (best single dog-hound)	Magistrate and Banker	2nd, Trinity Foot.
	Searcher ...	Halstead Place.

Class.	Hounds.	Hunt.
Champion Cup (best single hound certified sire of living puppies)	Gamester ...	1st, Hulton.
	Guardsman ...	2nd, Chawston.
Best couple of entered bitch hounds	Rantipole and Sanguine	1st, Hulton.
	Nosegay and Nimble ...	2nd, Surhilton
Champion Cup (best single bitch hound)	Reckless ...	Chawston.
Silver Cup for best three couples	Dancer, Prater, Rantipole, Sanguine, Ranter and Bonny	Hulton.

Judges—A. Blain, Esq., and E. C. R. Goff, Esq.



Railway Arrangements for Hunting Men.

BELOW we give the arrangements in force on the various Railway systems in Great Britain and Ireland for the conveyance of hunting people, grooms, horses, hounds, &c. Though they differ only in minor details, as a rule, it may be found convenient for reference to have these arrangements set forth in the following alphabetical order:—

ENGLAND.

Great Central.

Hunting gentlemen, their grooms and horses, going to the meet, and huntsmen in charge of hounds, will be conveyed during the hunting season, viz., from October to April inclusive, at the following charges:—

For Hunting gentlemen and their grooms, and huntsmen in charge of hounds or harriers.	*Single fare and a half for the double journey.	} Available for day of issue only.
For hunting horses	†Single rate and a half for the double journey at owner's risk.	

*Fractions of a penny will be reckoned as a penny on each adult fare.

†Fractions of a penny will be charged as a penny on the rate for each horse.

The minimum rate for the conveyance of a horse will be 7s. 6d. for the double journey.

A risk note must be signed by the sender of a horse, otherwise the full rate will be charged.

The Great Central Railway Company issue a handy Time Book giving their arrangements for hunting men; a map of their system running through the Quorn, Mr. Fernie's, Atherstone, Pytchley, Grafton and Bicester countries; the days, places, and distances from stations of meets of these and other packs; time tables and other information. Also a pamphlet showing their charges for hunting season tickets.

Great Eastern.

Fares and rates for hunting men and their grooms, for huntsmen in charge of hounds, and for hunting horses, are the same as those mentioned above under the heading of Great Central. Packs of hounds are conveyed on the same conditions detailed under the heading of the Great Northern, and generally prevailing.

When two or three horses belonging to one gentleman are sent in one box, or when two or three gentlemen join in taking a box, the charge will be the two or three horse rate, as the case may be, and a half of the one horse rate added for each horse.

Periodical hunting tickets (1st class only) are issued under special regulations during the hunting season, from October 1st to April 30th inclusive.

Great Northern.

The fares and rates for hunting men, grooms, huntsmen in charge of hounds and hunting horses are the same as those given above, under the heading of the Great Central, with similar conditions.

The full ordinary rates are charged when a gentlemen residing in the neighbourhood where the hounds meet, hires a horse from a firm at a distance, and the horse is sent by rail to the hirer, the firm paying the railway carriage charges.

Members of beagle foot clubs, when travelling return journeys by rail for the purpose of following beagles on foot, are conveyed under the same conditions as hunting gentlemen.

Packs of hounds are forwarded in horse boxes, and charged, at the option of the sender, either at the rate for horses, according to the number of stalls occupied, or, at "per hound," under the usual scale of charges for dogs, minimum charge as for one horse. If the hounds return the same day, the rate for a single journey and a half is charged at owner's risk.

Hounds carried in "hound vans" in "cattle trucks," or in "owner's vans on carriage truck" are charged, for a single journey, at the usual rate for two horses. For a journey including return on the same day, at the rate of a fare and a half for two horses.

These charges for horses and hounds are in each case at owner's risk.

Great Western.

Fares for hunting passengers and rates for hunting horses in accordance with those given above, viz., single fare and a half for double journey on day of issue only, and single rate and a half for the return journey for horses at owner's risk—minimum, 7s. 6d.

The 6.30 a.m. train from Paddington will call at Southam Road and Harbury on Thursdays when required to set down hunting passengers. Notice to be given to the guard at Banbury.

FIRST CLASS HUNTING SEASON TICKETS are issued at the following Rates for the periods shewn:—

BETWEEN	6 MONTHS. £ s. d.	5 MONTHS. £ s. d.	4 MONTHS. £ s. d.	3 MONTHS. £ s. d.
Paddington and Uxbridge, Windsor, Twyford and intermediate Stations	11 0 0	10 0 0	8 10 0	7 0 0
Paddington and Henley, Reading, and intermediate Stations	14 0 0	12 0 0	9 10 0	7 0 0
Paddington and Basingstoke	12 10 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	7 10 0
Paddington and Newbury, Basingstoke, and intermediate Stations	14 10 0	13 10 0	11 10 0	8 10 0
Paddington and Swindon	16 0 0	14 10 0	12 10 0	9 0 0
Paddington and Purton	16 10 0	15 0 0	13 0 0	9 10 0
Paddington to Badminton, via Wootton Bassett	18 10 0	17 0 0	13 10 0	10 0 0
Paddington and Tetbury, Malmesbury, Chippenham, and intermediate Stations, as also Marlow, Aylesbury, and intermediate Stations	24 0 0	22 10 0	19 0 0	14 0 0
Paddington and Warwick and intermediate Stations	18 0 0	17 0 0	14 10 0	10 10 0
Paddington and Chipping Norton Junction	16 10 0	15 10 0	13 0 0	9 10 0
Paddington and Cirencester	18 0 0	16 10 0	14 0 0	10 10 0
Paddington and Oxford, Abingdon and Wantage Road	15 0 0	14 0 0	12 0 0	9 0 0
Swindon to Badminton via Wootton Bassett	9 10 0	9 0 0	8 5 0	7 0 0
Bristol to Badminton via Filton	8 0 0	7 10 0	7 0 0	6 0 0
Bristol, Bath, Gloucester, Cheltenham, and all Stations to Swindon	13 10 0	12 10 0	11 0 0	8 10 0
Birmingham and Banbury and intermediate Stations	11 10 0	11 0 0	10 0 0	8 10 0
Birmingham and Shifnal and intermediate Stations	10 0 0	9 5 0	8 10 0	7 0 0
Birmingham and Leamington	10 0 0	9 10 0	8 10 0	7 10 0
Weymouth, Dorchester, and Sparkford, and intermediate Stations	10 10 0	10 0 0	9 10 0	8 10 0
Weymouth, Dorchester, and Chippenham, and intermediate Stations	15 10 0	14 10 0	12 0 0	9 0 0

The tickets are not transferable, and are only available for hunting purposes in the districts for which they are granted, and will be forfeited if used for residential or trading purposes.

Lancashire, Derbyshire and East Coast.

Arrangements in connection with rates and fares for hunting purposes the same as those of other companies.

Lancashire and Yorkshire.

Rates and fares the same as quoted above, the minimum charge being 1s. per passenger and 7s. 6d. per horse.

Arrangements for the conveyance of hounds same as those given in detail under the heading of Great Northern.

Hunting parties attending the meets are particularly requested to send their orders for boxes to the stationmasters concerned, on the morning of the day previous to the meet, as it is not always possible to secure a large number of horse boxes required on shorter notice.

London, Brighton and South Coast.

No reduction is made in the ordinary fare for gentlemen travelling for hunting purposes; but for the convenience of gentlemen hunting in the vicinity of the line, return tickets are issued for horses when accompanied by huntsman or groom, at the reduced charge of a fare and a half, available on day of issue only, and at owner's risk.

London and North-Western.

Fares, rates and conditions exactly in accordance with those in force on the G.C.R., G.N.R., and other systems mentioned above.

London and South-Western.

Ditto. Commencing on 1st November, FIRST CLASS PERIODICAL TICKETS for hunting purposes will be issued during the season (from 1st November to 30th April) between the undermentioned Stations, at the following rates, from London, Wimbledon, Surbiton, Portsmouth, Gosport, Southampton, and Salisbury to BASINGSTOKE.

For 3 Months, £7 10s. ... 4 Months, £10 0s. ... 5 Months, £12 0s. ... 6 Months, £12 10s.

HUNTING SEASON TICKETS are also issued during the season (from 1st November to 30th April) as shewn below:—

BETWEEN	3 MONTHS. £ s. d.	4 MONTHS. £ s. d.	5 MONTHS. £ s. d.	6 MONTHS. £ s. d.
London and Windsor and intermediate Stations, including Ascot, Bracknell, Sunningdale, and Wokingham	7 0 0	8 10 0	10 0 0	—
London and Reading and intermediate Stations, including Windsor	7 10 0	10 0 0	12 10 0	—
London and Cirencester	10 10 0	14 0 0	16 10 0	18 0 0
London and Swindon	9 0 0	12 10 0	14 10 0	16 0 0

Application should be made at the Season Ticket Office, Waterloo, or at the Booking Office of either of the Stations named. A deposit of 5s. required on each ticket, which will be returned if the ticket be given up on the date of expiry.

These tickets are only available for hunting and not for residential or trading purposes, neither are they transferable.

Midland.

The regulations in force on the Midland Railway for the conveyance of hunting passengers and their horses are the same as those on other English lines.

North-Eastern.

Fares for hunting passengers and rates for horses and hounds are charged on the same principle as given above, with similar minimums and regulations. The cheap tickets are issued by any train without regard to that by which the horses are conveyed. Thus the horses may be sent on in advance—the day before, if desired—or they may even be walked by road if this should be found more convenient.

In several of the principal hunting districts where the traffic is usually sufficient to warrant the running of special trains, they are arranged without additional charge, at times suitable for the requirements of the hunt.

North Staffordshire.

Hunting horses and hounds are conveyed by this Company at a single rate and a half for the double journey at owner's risk, provided the return journey is completed the same day, as is done by the Railway Companies generally. They also issue first-class contract tickets under special regulations during the hunting season.

South-Eastern and Chatham.

For the convenience of gentlemen hunting in the vicinity of the line, return tickets for horses, at owner's risk, are issued at a fare and a half; and in cases where three gentlemen join, each sending a horse, and engaging a box for the day for three horses, they will be allowed return tickets at the reduced rate, as for three horses belonging to the same person. The horses may return on the same or the following day.

SCOTLAND.**Caledonian.**

The single rate and a half for the double journey holds good on this system, and the minimum for the conveyance of a horse is 7s. 6d., as is usual on most lines. Packs of hounds are charged, at sender's option, either at the rate for horses according to the number of stalls occupied, or at per hound under the scale of charges for dogs, minimum charge as for one horse. If the hounds return the same day the charge is one rate and a half. No reduction is made in the ordinary return or week-end fares for passengers travelling to and from the hunt.

Glasgow and South-Western.

On this line, horses are conveyed to the station nearest the meet of hounds and back to the original sending station for a single rate and a half.

North British.

The rates for horses and hounds are the same as those in force on the Caledonian system. Horse clothing and harness loaded in the horse boxes along with the horses to which they belong are not charged for. Hounds carried in hound vans, in cattle trucks, or in owners' vans on carriage trucks, are charged for a single journey at the usual rate for two horses. For a journey including return on the same day, the charge is one rate and a half at owner's risk. Hunting persons are charged the ordinary fares whether accompanying the horses, etc., or not.

IRELAND.**Belfast and Co. Down.**

Ordinary fares apply to hunting passengers.

Hunting horses, hounds, live deer, at owner's risk, during the hunting season, from October to March inclusive.

Hunting horses, per head, to and from, same day, 30 miles and under, 6s. Above 30 miles, 7s. 6d.

Pack of hounds, per wagon, any distance to and from, same day, 8s.

Live deer, in crates or boxes, at parcel rate, by actual weight.

Note.—In ordinary traffic, live deer in owner's vans, are charged 1s. per mile per van, and the empty van is returned free of charge.

Grooms are charged full fare.

Cork Bandon and South Coast.

Return tickets available for day of issue only are issued to gentlemen travelling for hunting purposes, and their grooms, also to huntsmen in charge of hounds, at single fare and a half for double journey, and return tickets are issued for hunting horses at single rate and a half for the double journey. Hounds are charged one rate and a half for double journey.

Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford.

The horses of gentlemen hunting will be conveyed at single fares for the double journey, the owner paying the ordinary fare, and the groom, when travelling in the horse box, single third-class fare for the double journey.

Great Southern and Western.

Tickets at single fare and a half are issued generally over this system for horse, rider, and groom, going to attend the meets of hounds. In connection with the Kildare Hounds, special cheap fares are issued from Kingsbridge, particulars of which are given below:—

KINGSBRIDGE TO	HORSE, RIDER AND GROOM.
Hazelhatch	10s.
Styaffan	10s.
Sallins	10s.
Naas	12s. 6d.
Harristown	12s. 6d.
Colbinstown	17s. 6d.

KINGSBRIDGE TO	HORSE, RIDER AND GROOM.
Dunlavin	15s.
Grangecon	17s. 6d.
Baltinglass	17s. 6d.
Newbridge	12s. 6d.
Kildare	15s.
Athy	17s. 6d.

THE LIVERPOOL GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLE-CHASE.

WINNERS AND PLACED HORSES SINCE 1880.

1880.—Mr. P. Ducrot's ch. m. Empress by Blood Royal, 10st. 7lb. (Mr. T. Beasley) 1	
Mr. G. Moore's The Liberator, 12st. 7lb. (Owner) 2	
Colonel Lloyd's Downpatrick, 10st. 7lb. (Gavin) 3	
Starting price of winner, 8 to 1 against.	
1881.—Capt. Kirkwood's ch. g. Woodbrook, by Lawyer, 11st. 8lb. (Mr. T. Beasley) 1	
Capt. Macell's Regal, 11st. 12lb. (Jewitt) 2	
Mr. L. de Rothschild's Thornfield, 10st. 9lb. (R. Marsh) 3	
Starting price of winner, 11 to 2 against.	
1882.—Lord Manners's b. g. Seauan, by Xenophon, 11st. 6lb. (Owner) 1	
Mr. J. Gubbins's Cyrus, 10st. 9lb. (Mr. T. Beasley) 2	
Mr. Clayton's Zoedone, 10st. 11lb. (Capt. Smith) 3	
Starting price of winner, 10 to 1 against.	
1883.—Count C. Zinsky's ch. m. Zoedone, by New Oswestry, 11st. (Owner) 1	
Mr. P. George's Black Prince, 10st. 4lb. (D. Canahan) 2	
Major Bunbury's Mohican, 12st. 1lb. (Mr. H. Beasley) 3	
Starting price of winner, 13 to 1 against.	
1884.—Mr. H. F. Boyd's b. g. Voluntary, by Cremorne, 10st. 5lb. (Mr. E. P. Wilson) 1	
Mr. M. A. Maher's Frigate, 11st. 10lb. (Mr. T. Beasley) 2	
Capt. Fisher's Roquefort, 10st. 5lb. (J. Childs) 3	
Starting price of winner, 10 to 1 against.	
1885.—Mr. A. Cooper's b. h. Roquefort, by Winslow, 11st. (Mr. E. P. Wilson) 1	
Mr. M. A. Maher's Frigate, 11st. 10lb. (Mr. H. Beasley) 2	
Capt. Macell's Black Prince, 10st. 5lb. (T. Skelton) 3	
Starting price of winner, 100 to 30 against.	
1885.—Mr. Douglas's b. g. Old Joe by Barefoot, 10st. 9lb. (T. Skelton) 1	
Count Erdody's Too Good, 11st. 12lb. (Mr. H. Beasley) 2	
Mr. E. Jay's Gamecock, 10st. 12lb. (W. E. Stephens) 3	
Starting price of winner, 25 to 1 against.	
1887.—Mr. E. Jay's b. g. Gamecock, by Revolver, 11st. (W. E. Daniells) 1	
Baron W. Schroder's Savoyard, 10st. 13lb. (T. Skelton) 2	
Lord Wolverton's Johnny Longtail, 10st. 6lb. (J. Childs) 3	
Starting price of winner, 10 to 1 against.	
1888.—Mr. E. W. Baird's bk. g. Playfair, by Ripponden, 10st. 7lb. (Mawson) 1	
Mr. M. A. Maher's Frigate, 11st. 2lb. (Mr. W. Beasley) 2	
Mr. P. Nickalls's Ballot Box, 12st. 4lb. (W. Nightingall) 3	
Starting price of winner, 40 to 1 against.	
1889.—Mr. M. A. Maher's b. m. Frigate, by Gunboat, 11st. 4lb. (Mr. T. Beasley) 1	
Mr. D. J. Jardine's Why Not, 11st. 5lb. (carried 11st. 11lb.) (Mr. C. J. Cunningham) 2	
Mr. J. Rutherford's M.P., 10st. 9lb. (A. Nightingall) 3	
Starting price of winner, 8 to 1 against.	
1890.—Mr. G. Masterman's ch. g. Hex, by Rostrum, 10st. 5lb. (A. Nightingall) 1	
Mr. E. Woodland's Pan, 10st. 5lb. (Halsey) 2	
Mr. J. Rutherford's M.P., 11st. 5lb. (Mr. W. H. Moore) 3	
Starting price of winner, 4 to 1 against.	
1891.—Mr. Jameson's b. g. Come Away, by Cambuslang, 11st. 12lb. (Mr. H. Beasley) 1	
Lord Dudley's Cloister, 11st. 7lb. (Capt. E. R. Owen) 2	
Mr. G. Masterman's Hex, 12st. 3lb. (A. Nightingall) 3	
Starting price of winner, 4 to 1 against.	
1892.—Mr. G. C. Wilson's b. g. Father O'Flynn, by Retreat, 10st. 5lb. (Capt. E. R. Owen) 1	
Mr. C. Duff's Cloister, 12st. 3lb. (Mr. J. C. Dornier) 2	
Mr. G. Masterman's Hex, 12st. 7lb. (A. Nightingall) 3	
Starting price of winner, 20 to 1 against.	
1893.—Mr. C. G. Duff's b. g. Cloister, by Asceic, 12st. 7lb. (Dollery) 1	
Capt. M. Hughes's Esop, 10st. 4lb. (Barker) 2	
Mr. Noel Fenwick's Why Not, 11st. 12lb. (A. Nightingall) 3	
Starting price of winner, 9 to 2 against.	
1894.—Capt. C. H. Fenwick's b. g. Why Not, by Castlereagh, 11st. 13lb. (A. Nightingall) 1	
Mr. J. McKinlay's Lady Ellen II., 9st. 10lb. (Kavanagh) 2	
Mr. J. Widger's Wild Man from Borneo (Mr. J. Widger) 3	
Starting price of winner, 5 to 1 against.	
1895.—Mr. John Widger's ch. g. Wild Man from Borneo, by Decider, 10st. 11lb. (Mr. J. Widger) 1	
Mr. F. B. Atkinson's Cathal, 10st. 9lb. (H. Escott) 2	
Major A. Crawley's Van der Berg, 9st. 13lb. (Dollery) 3	
Starting price of winner, 10 to 1 against.	

1896.—Mr. W. H. Walker's b. g. The Soarer, by Skylark, 9st. 13lb. (Mr. D. G. M. Campbell) 1	
Mr. C. Grenfell's Father O'Flynn, 10st. 12lb. (Owner) 2	
Mr. W. C. Keeping's Biscuit, 10st. (E. Matthews) 3	
Starting price of winner, 40 to 1 against.	
1897.—Mr. H. M. Dyas's b. g. Manifesto, by Man of War, 11st. 3lb. (T. Kavanagh) 1	
Mr. G. B. Powell's Filbert, 9st. 7lb. (Mr. C. Beatty) 2	
Major J. A. Orr-Ewing's Ford of Fyne, 10st. 7lb. (Mr. Withington) 3	
Starting price of winner, 6 to 1 against.	
1898.—Mr. C. G. M. Adam's Drogheda, by Cherry Ripe, 10st. 12lb. (Gourley) 1	
Mr. R. Ward's Cathal, 11st. 5lb. (Owner) 2	
Mr. F. D. Leyland's Gauntlet, 10st. 13lb. (W. Taylor) 3	
Starting price of winner, 25 to 1 against.	
1899.—Mr. J. G. Bulteel's b. g. Manifesto, by Man of War, 12st. 7lb. (G. Williamson) 1	
Major J. A. Orr-Ewing's Ford of Fyne, 10st. 10lb. (E. Matthews) 2	
Mr. Andley Blyth's Elliman, 10st. 1lb. (Piggott) 3	
Starting price of winner, 6 to 1 against.	
1900.—H.R.H. The Prince of Wales's br. g. Ambush II., by Ben Battle, 11st. 3lb. (A. Anthony) 1	
Mr. C. A. Brown's Barsac, 9st. 12lb. (W. Halsey) 2	
Mr. J. G. Bulteel's Manifesto, 12st. 13lb. (G. Williamson) 3	
Starting price of winner, 4 to 1 against.	
1901.—Mr. B. Bletsoe's br. h. Grudon, by Old Buck, 10st. (A. Nightingall) 1	
Mr. O. J. Williams's Drumcree, 9st. 12lb. (Mr. H. Nugent) 2	
Mr. J. E. Rogerson's Buffalo Bill, 9st. 7lb. (H. Taylor) 3	
Starting price of winner, 9 to 1 against.	
1902.—Mr. A. Gorham's b. or br. m. Shannon Lass, by Butterseotch, 10st. 1lb. (D. Read) 1	
Mr. John Widger's Matthew, 9st. 12lb. (W. Morgan) 2	
Mr. J. G. Bulteel's Manifesto, 12st. 8lb. (E. Piggott) 3	
Starting price of winner, 20 to 1 against.	
1903.—Mr. J. S. Morrison's b. g. Drumcree, by Asceic, 11st. 13lb. (P. Woodland) 1	
Mr. White Heather's Detail, 9st. 13lb. (A. Nightingall) 2	
Mr. J. G. Bulteel's Manifesto, 12st. 8lb. (G. Williamson) 3	
Starting price of winner, 13 to 2 against.	
1904.—Mr. Spencer Gollan's br. g. Moifaa, by Natator, 10st. 7lb. (A. Birch) 1	
Mr. F. Bibby's Kirkland, 10st. 10lb. (F. Mason) 2	
Mr. John Widger's The Gunner, 10st. 4lb. (Mr. J. W. Widger) 3	
Starting price of winner, 25 to 1 against.	
1905.—Mr. F. Bibby's ch. g. Kirkham, by Kirkham, 11st. 5lb. (F. Mason) 1	
Captain McLaren's Napper Tandy, 10st. (P. Woodland) 2	
Mr. P. E. Speakman's Buckaway II., 9st. 7lb. (A. Newey) 3	
Starting price of winner, 6 to 1 against.	

MEMBERS OF I.N.H.S. COMMITTEE.

COLONEL KIRKWOOD.
P. LA TOUCHE, Esq.
MAJOR EUSTACE LODER. } Stewards up to January, 1906.

MEMBERS.

Sir John Arnott, Bart. (1900)	R. D. Jameson, Esq. (1888)
Charles J. Blake, Esq. (1877)	Col. Kirkwood (1891)
T. S. Coppinger, Esq. (1897)	P. La Touche, Esq. (1891)
M. J. Corbally, Esq. (1889)	Major Eustace Loder.
J. O'G. Delmege (1899)	Marquis of Londonderry (1894)
Baron De Robeck (1899)	Col. J. M. McAlmont (1874)
Capt. R. H. Dewhurst (1895)	A. J. McNeile, Esq. (1869)
Earl of Enniskillen (1889)	Col. St. Leger Moore (1887)
Col. Forster (1869)	F. C. Osborne, Esq.
W. de Salis Filgate, Esq. (1885)	R. Hamilton Stubber, Esq. (1894)
T. Gisborne Gordon, Esq. (1885)	Marquis of Waterford (1902)
W. H. West, Esq. (1894)	

The figures within parentheses indicate the year of election when known.

NATIONAL HUNT COMMITTEE.

PATRON.

HIS MAJESTY.

STEWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY, 1906.

W. H. P. Jenkins, Esq.	Col. J. A. T. Garratt.
W. Murland, Esq.	Lord Seton.
Capt. W. Hope Johnstone.	Sir Wm. Curtis.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

1892 Col. E. W. Baird	1900 Capt. H. E. Brassey
1885 H. T. Barclay, Esq.	1884 Col. C. R. Bulkeley
1902 Lord Marcus Beresford	1902 J. G. Bulteel, Esq.
1900 F. Bibby, Esq.	1897 E. C. Burton, Esq.
1905 Major-Gen. J. P. Brabazon	1871 Sir G. Chetwynd, Bart.

NATIONAL HUNT COMMITTEE (continued.)**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE (continued.)**

1888 Marquis of Cholmondeley	1884 Marquis of Londonderry
1905 Capt. R. H. Collis	1899 J. McKie, Esq.
1900 Capt. the Hon. C. J. Coventry	1905 C. F. K. Mainwaring, Esq.
— *Earl of Coventry	1882 Lord Manners
1895 Earl Cowley	1877 Duke of Montrose
1901 Sir W. Curtis, Bart.	1884 Col. the Hon. F. C. Morgan
1900 Earl Dudley	1902 W. Murland, Esq.
1890 Sir William Eden, Bart.	1905 Lord Henry Nevill
1889 C. A. Egerton, Esq.	1895 C. S. Newton, Esq.
1890 Earl of Enniskillen	1880 Sir Ernest Paget, Bart.
1905 Earl of Essex	1898 F. Lort Phillips, Esq.
1883 Col. J. A. T. Garratt	1890 Lord Rendlesham
1904 Viscount Hardinge	1893 C. D. Rose, Esq.
1870 Col. Harford	1884 Lord Rossmore
1882 Earl of Harrington	1903 The Earl of Sefton
1900 G. E. Jarvis, Esq.	1900 Capt. the Hon. F. C. Stanley
1883 W. H. P. Jenkins, Esq.	1899 Lord Tredegar
— *Sir F. Johnstone, Bart.	1901 Sir Peter C. Walker
1893 Capt. W. H. Johnstone	1901 Duke of Westminster
1895 Duke of Leeds	1901 Owen J. Williams, Esq.
1903 Col. Morgan Lindsay	1893 Major G. L. Wickham.
1892 Sir Martine Lloyd, Bart.	

* Before 1866.

PRINCIPAL AMATEUR CROSS-COUNTRY RIDERS.

Anthony, Mr. I.	Harper, Mr. M.
Bell, Mr. J. M.	Harper, Mr. R. H.
Bell, Mr. S. J.	Hastings, Mr. A.
Billyeald, Mr. A. E.	Hunt, Mr. H.
Bissill, Mr. W.	Longworth, Mr. T. J.
Bletsoe, Mr. M. B.	Milne, Mr. G. B.
Bulteel, Mr. W.	Nugent, Mr. C. G.
Cadman, Mr. P. S.	Payne, Mr. R.
Cheney, Mr. J. A.	Quartermaine, Mr. H. A.
Cole, Lord.	Ripley, Mr. H. M.
Collis, Capt.	Rogers, Mr. J. T.
Cova, Mr. H. J.	Sharpe, Mr. J.
Cullen, Mr. W. P.	Sidney, Mr. H.
Cuthbertson, Mr. N.	Tabor, Mr. C. V.
Deer, Mr.	Thirwell, Mr. D.
Fergusson, Mr. J.	Widger, Mr. J.
Gale, Mr. W.	Withington, Mr.
Garnett, Mr. C.	Wood, Mr. A. W.
Gordon, Mr. A.	

SCALE OF WEIGHT-FOR-AGE.

For Steeple-chases of 3 miles and upwards.			
From the 1st of January to the 30th of June, both inclusive:—			
4 yrs.	5 yrs.	6 and aged	
10st. 3lb.	11st. 8lb.	12st. 3lb.	
From the 1st of July to the 31st of December, both inclusive:—			
4 yrs.	5 yrs.	6 and aged	
11st.	11st. 12lb.	12st. 3lb.	
For Steeple-chases of less than 3 miles.			
From the 1st of January to the 30th of June, both inclusive:—			
4 yrs.	5 yrs.	6 and aged	
10st. 10lb.	11st. 10lb.	12st. 3lb.	
From the 1st of July to the 31st of December, both inclusive:—			
4 yrs.	5 yrs.	6 and aged	
11st. 6lb.	12st.	12st. 3lb.	
For Hurdle Races.			
From the 1st of January to the 31st of August, inclusive:—			
4 yrs.	5 yrs.	6 and aged	
11st.	11st. 10lb.	12st.	
From the 1st of September to the 31st of December, inclusive:—			
3 yrs.	4 yrs.	5, 6, and aged	
10st. 7lb.	11st. 12lb.	12st. 3lb.	
For National Hunt Flat Races.			
From the 1st of January to the 30th of June, inclusive:—			
4 yrs.	5 yrs.	6 and aged	
11st. 7lb.	12st. 3lb.	12st. 7lb.	
From the 31st of July to the 31st of December, inclusive:—			
4 yrs.	5 yrs.	6 and aged	
12st.	12st. 5lb.	12st. 7lb.	

RULES FOR POINT-TO-POINT STEEPLE-CHASES.

Point to Point Steeple-chases are not governed by National Hunt Rules, but if run under the following conditions, they are exempt from the operation of the rules as to disqualifications for having taken part in an unrecognised Meeting.

SCHEDULE A.

Point to Point Steeple-chases may be held on one day annually by each Hunt under the Stewardship of the Master of Foxhounds, or of a Committee appointed by him, or, if in a district not hunted by Foxhounds, by the Master of Stagbounds or Harriers (being a Member of the Association of Masters of Harriers) hunting the same.

Any number of such Steeple-chases may be run, but no other races of any description shall take place in connection with them.

No money or other prize of greater value than twenty sovereigns shall be added to any such Steeple-chase, except in cases where a Cup or other trophy is given from a private source, and specified in the conditions of the Steeple-chase.

No money shall be taken at any gate, or at any stand or enclosure, in connection with the Steeple-chases.

Rule 5 and Rules 164 to 168 of the National Hunt Rules govern all Steeple-chases held under these conditions, and in cases where printed programmes, rules, or regulations are issued by the authority under whose auspices such Steeple-chases are run it shall be stated therein that the said Rules 5 and 164 to 168, shall apply.

Notice must be given at the Registry Office, on a form to be obtained therefrom, not less than seven days before the Steeple-chases, with a fee of ten shillings and a certificate, in the subjoined Form 1, signed by such Master aforesaid, shall be lodged at the Registry Office within fourteen days after the Steeple-chases have taken place.

SCHEDULE B.

Point to Point Steeple-chases, other than those specified in Schedule A, may be held under the auspices of any particular regiment, club, or other society, with the special permission of the Stewards of the National Hunt Committee, upon application at the Registry Office, on a Form obtained therefrom, at least seven days before the Steeple-chases are to take place: the names and addresses of at least two Stewards, appointed by the authority desirous of holding them, and who shall be responsible for the arrangements, must be stated, and the written permission of the Master of Hounds as specified in Schedule A in whose country it is proposed to run, must accompany the application, together with a fee of one sovereign.

Every application for the special permission required by this Schedule to hold Point-to-Point Steeple-chases shall contain a declaration that if such permission be granted, Rule 5 and Rules 164 to 168 of the National Hunt Rules, which empower the Stewards of the National Hunt Committee to investigate and punish corrupt and fraudulent practices, and to disqualify persons who shall be guilty of them, shall apply to the Steeple-chases to which the permission relates.

Any number of such Steeple-chases may be run, but no other races of any description shall take place in connection with them.

No money shall be taken at any gate or at any stand or enclosure in connection with the Steeple-chases.

The total distance traversed in each Steeple-chase, shall not be less than three miles, and the furthest turning point shall not be less than one mile from the start (or finish).

The fences shall not be altered more than is absolutely necessary to enable the Steeple-chases to be run.

Rule 5 and Rules 164 to 168 of the National Hunt Rules govern all Steeple-chases held under these conditions and in cases where printed programmes, rules, or regulations are issued by the authority under whose auspices such Steeple-chases are run, it shall be stated therein that the said Rules 5 and 164 to 168, shall apply.

A certificate in the subjoined Form 2, signed by the two Stewards aforesaid, must be lodged at the Registry Office, together with a full return of the Steeple-chases, within fourteen days after they have taken place.

Certificate (Form 1), alluded to in Schedule A above.

I hereby certify—
1. That bona fide Point to Point Steeple-chases took place at on in connection with the Hunt.
2. That no other races of any description took place there on that day.
3. That no money or other prize of greater value than twenty sovereigns was added to any Steeple-chase, with the exception of a trophy presented by
4. That no money was taken at any gate or at any stand or enclosure in connection with the Steeple-chases.

Date , 190 .
Signed, Master of the Hounds.

Certificate (Form 2), alluded to in Schedule B above.

We hereby certify—
1. That bona fide Point to Point Steeple-chases took place at on
2. That no other race of any description took place there on that day.
3. That no money was taken at any gate or at any stand or enclosure in connection with the Steeple-chases.
4. That the fences were not altered more than was absolutely necessary to enable the Steeple-chases to be run.
5. That the total distance traversed in each Steeple-chase was not less than three miles, that the furthest turning point was at least one mile from the start (or finish), and that the winning post was within the limits of the country hunted over by the Hounds.

Signed, Stewards.
Date , 190 .



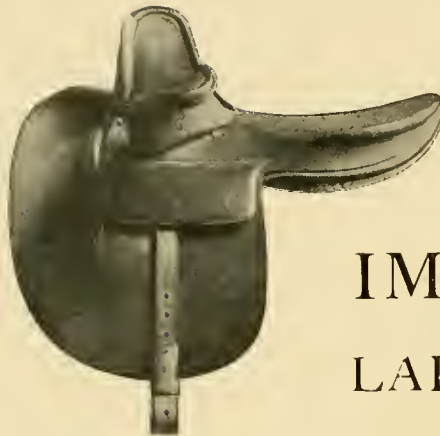
BY APPOINTMENT
TO
H.M. THE KING
AND
H.I.M. THE CZAR OF RUSSIA.



PRICE (complete)—

£13 13 0

NET CASH.



MAYHEW'S

SAFETY . . .

IMPROVED GRIP

LADY'S SADDLE (*Patent*).

AN EASY SQUARE SEAT ASSURED TO THE RIDER WITHOUT AN EFFORT

THERE IS NO OTHER SIDE-SADDLE MADE
THAT POSSESSES SUCH FINE QUALITIES FOR
GENUINE USEFULNESS IN FITTING.

IT IS **LESS FATIGUING** THAN ANY OTHER TO **HORSE AND RIDER.**

See the Words—

"MAYHEW'S IMPROVED GRIP"

*Plainly stamped on every
GENUINE Saddle.*

**RELIABLE RACE, POLO, HACK
and HUNTING Saddles built upon
STEEL-PLATED Trees to any
desired weight.**



PRICES from

£6 6 0

NET CASH.

Complete, with

**Stirrup Leathers
Irons and
Single Girths.**

F. W. MAYHEW, 62 Seymour St., Portman Sq.,

W.

TELEGRAMS: "SIDESADDLE, LONDON."

TELEPHONE No. 1334 MAYFAIR.

YOUR HORSES LEGS NEED YOUR ATTENTION !

DURING THE HUNTING SEASON they need to be strengthened, and kept clean and fine with "RADIOL" Lotion. One bottle of "RADIOL" will make a Gallon of Leg Wash.

Pure "RADIOL" will completely remove :

WIND-GALLS, BOG-SPAVINS, THOROPINS,
CAPPED-HOCKS, BUMPED KNEE,

and all Soft and Fatty Swellings that disfigure a Horse.



Bumped
Knee.

Write for Booklet—"How to remove Soft Swellings that disfigure a Horse."



PRICE 5/- per 12 oz. Bottle, of Chemists, or delivered free from—

RADIOL LABORATORY, St. George's Mansions, Westminster, S.W.

AFTER THE SEASON, to avoid its legacies of bony growths, such as Splints, Spavins, Ringbones, Curbs, &c. (often immature, hard to locate, and whose development can be prevented), apply a thin dressing of

STEVENS' OINTMENT.

Your Horse will come up next season with nice fine legs.

Nothing so annoying as to start a season with your Horses going lame.

Prevention is superior to a Cure.



Write for Booklet "T"—"Lameness in the Horse, its Cause, Detection and Remedy."

STEVENS' OINTMENT, 2/6 & 5/- per Box, of Chemists, or from—

Messrs. STEVENS & CO., St. George's Mansions, Westminster, S.W.

TO OBTAIN THE BEST AND MOST CONCISE

HUNTING NEWS AND
HUNTING ARTICLES

YOU SHOULD READ THE BEST ILLUSTRATED HUNTING NEWSPAPER.

“The County Gentleman
and Land and Water”

In June last the Proprietors of “The County Gentleman” purchased the well-known Sporting Weekly, “Land and Water,” and incorporated the two Papers under the combined title of “The County Gentleman & Land & Water.”

The combined Journals now form the

IDEAL SPORTING ILLUSTRATED NEWSPAPER

all the best features of each Paper being retained . . .

Should you care to see a copy of

“The County Gentleman & Land and Water”

send a postcard (mentioning this advertisement in Thomas' Hunting Diary), to “The Publisher, 4 & 5 Dean Street, Holborn, London, W.C.,” when a specimen copy will be sent post free.

“The County Gentleman and Land and Water,” Price 6d. Weekly, or by Post, 6½d.

Is on Sale at all Newsagents and Booksellers.

SUBSCRIPTION TERMS.

	HOME.		ABROAD (Thin Edition).	
3 Months	... ..	7/-	3 Months	... .. 8/2
6 Months	... ..	14/-	6 Months	... .. 16/4
12 Months	... ..	28/-	12 Months	... .. 32/2
	Post Free.			Post Free.

Telephone: 5523 GERRARD.



Telegrams: "OUTCLIMB, LONDON."

ALAN McAFEE

Sporting Bootmaker.

SUCCESSOR TO
SCAFFE'S PATENT SOLES.

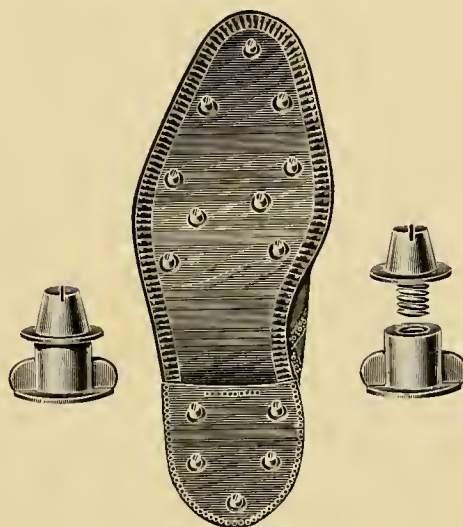
Under the Patronage of Seventeen
Members of the Royal Family.

McAfee's Patent Nails

WILL NOT COME OUT IN
ORDINARY WEAR.

IMPOSSIBLE TO HURT THE
FOOT FROM INSIDE OF BOOT.

NEW HEADS CAN EASILY BE
REPLACED BY WEARER
WITHOUT THE TROUBLE OF
RETURNING BOOTS TO MAKER.



Specially Designed for

GOLFING
SHOOTING
CRICKETING
AND
CLIMBING

BOOTS
AND
SHOES

Important to Golfers.

TRY THE PATENT GOLF NAIL, PERFECT GRIP ON EITHER SAND OR CLAY SOIL.

Full Particulars
on application.

These Nails cannot be put in Soles from outside of Old Boots,
but New Soles containing the Patent Sockets and Nails
can be put on Old Boots if desired.

Speciality.

SOFT LEG RIDING BOOTS,
DEEP COUNTERS AND
STRAIGHT LEGS.

Separate Ladies Dept.:

No. 68 DUKE STREET,
GROSVENOR SQUARE, W.



68 & 66 DUKE STREET,
GROSVENOR SQUARE,
... LONDON, W.



